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SHANGHAI STUDENTS IN CLASH

**Youth Army Group Beaten Up: Tense Moments
Easier Nanking
Situation**

Nanking, May 21.
Students of the Central University who demon-
strated here yesterday, decided at a meeting
today to continue their strike and present new
petitions to the Government.
However, thus far, no new demonstration has been
planned. In a press conference last night, Mr.
Wang An-Ming, Vice-President of the Central
University Student Self-Rule Committee, stated:
"The unfortunate thing which hap-
pened today will not stop us at all. On the
contrary it may make us more determined."

Mr. Wang admitted that the
demonstration was without re-
sult, adding: "We know that
the Government will not stop
the civil war because we have
clamoured but at least we have
said it. We said it for our own
sake and for the sake of the
nation."

The student figures of the
number injured in the clash
with the police are at variance
with those announced by the
Garrison Headquarters. Ac-
cording to the students, the
most serious injuries included
one head wound and two leg
fractures, while 39 students
were slightly injured.

Garrison Version

Garrison Headquarters in a
statement said: "As the police
and gendarmes were unarmed
and greatly outnumbered in the
clash and whereas the students
were armed with clubs, ink-
wells and banner rolls, the num-
ber of policemen injured in fact
exceeded that of the students."
Garrison Headquarters main-
tained that 30 policemen were
injured while the students hurt
numbered 11, nine no more
serious than abrasions.—Reu-
ter.

To Be Charged

Nanking, May 21.
Nine students arrested during
Tuesday's student-police clash
have been turned over to the
Nanking District Court and will
face possible charges of dis-
turbance of peace and order.
An Education Ministry official
was quoted as saying the court
will be expected to show leniency
to the youths.—United Press.

Chengju Clash

Shanghai, May 21.
Several Youth Army veterans
who enrolled at the National
China University at Chengju,
on the western outskirts of Shanghai,
were injured in a clash with
striking students this morning.
While most Shanghai univer-
sities resumed classes, Chinese
students held out and continued
their agitation for a demonstra-
tion in support of the Nanking
students. When some 50 Youth
Army veterans wanted to return
to classes they clashed with the
striking students. The outnumbered
soldiers were beaten.

**China Premier's
Gloomy Picture**

Nanking, May 21.
Premier Chang Chun, in a report to the People's
Political Council, today urged PFC members
seriously to consider the problem of China's
civil war during their two-week session.
The Premier covered the political, economic, for-
eign and educational policies which the Na-
tional Government will follow this year.

General Chang told the PFC
that the civil war is uppermost
in the minds of the people at
the present time. Attempts to
negotiate with the Communists
have failed four times but the
political programme adopted by
the reorganised national gov-
ernment still offers the Com-
munists an opportunity to re-
sume talks.

Referring to the Govern-
ment's foreign policy, the Pre-
mier said that it was based on
cooperation with China's for-
mer war allies and on the Na-
tional Government's charter.
A gloomy picture of China's
economic condition was painted
by the Premier, who said that
direct losses suffered as a re-

sult of the Sino-Japanese war,
excluding those in Manchuria,
totalled \$300,000,000. (United
States dollars) while indirect
losses amounted to US\$240,000,
000.
Government expenditure this
year had already exceeded 900
billion Chinese dollars per
month. If economic conditions
were stabilised, national ex-
penditure would total 20,000,
000 million Chinese dollars for
the entire year but as prices
were still rising, a larger sum
might be required.

Touching on education, Gen-
eral Chang Chun said that the
recent measures restricting
student demonstrations are only
for the purpose of preserving
law and order.—Reuter.

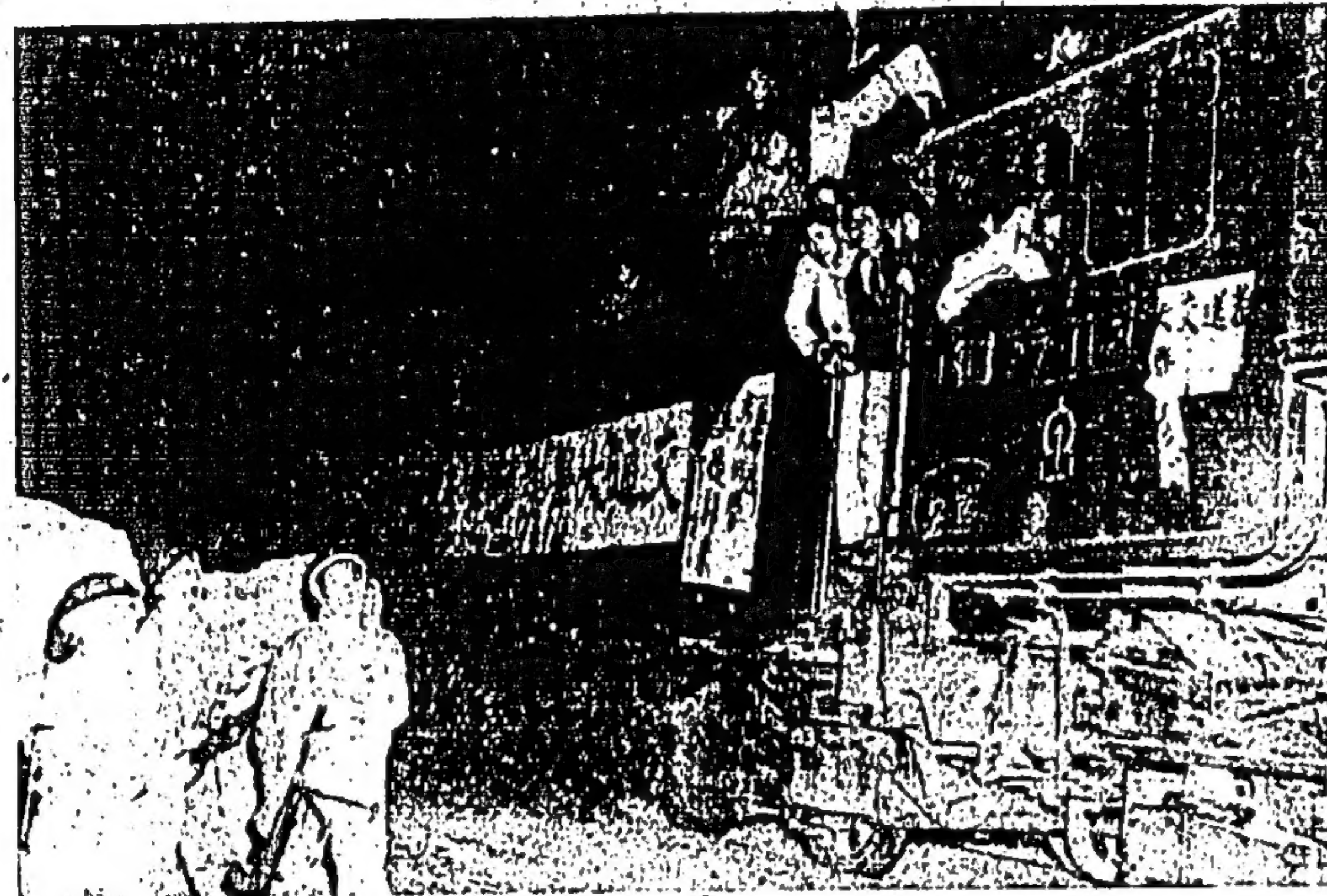


Photo taken in Shanghai last week when students seized a train with the intention to proceed to Nanking. The tracks were torn up ahead of them by troops bringing them to a halt. (Associated Press)



Seated on the line in front of the halted train, Ling Hing-shun, Vice-Minister of Communications, trying to persuade the students to abandon the enterprise voluntarily and return to their studies. (Associated Press)

**Time Short For
China's Cabinet**

New York, May 21.
The student demonstrations confirm the grave
state of affairs in China, the "New York
Herald-Tribune" today says in an editorial,
which urges China's new Cabinet to "grasp
their problems" and to prevent a complete col-
lapse of the political structure.

"This defiance is a grave sign,
and confirms other evidence of
the serious state of affairs in
China."

"It is important because it
involves direct disobedience of
President Chiang Kai-shek. In
the past he has been able to
keep the respect of the Chinese
even under difficult circum-
stances, and normally has es-
caped blame for the mistakes
and misdeeds of his subor-
dinate in the government."

"The basic requirement for
stability in China is a govern-
ment with strong interest in
the welfare of the Chinese....
It is time for members of the
new cabinet in China—several
of them men of high reputation
—to grasp their problems."
"Unfortunately, they have
little time. The mistake of their
predecessors were many and
those mistakes at present are
bearing fruits."—United Press.

**Kwangtung
Politician
Murdered**

Canton, May 20.
Tsou Wu, a member of the
Kwangtung People's
Assembly, was shot dead
on the East Bund this
morning.

Tsou arrived from Lamkong
a few days ago to attend the
second session of the Assembly.
As he left the house this morn-
ing, an unknown man came up
and shot him twice in the chest.
Tsou was killed instantly. The
murderer escaped down a side-
street.

One of the bullets wounded a
bystander in the leg.

On Tsou's person was
CN\$101,800 in cash, which was
not touched.

Aged 62, Tsou has a long
career as a magistrate in south-
ern Kwangtung, where he is a
prominent figure.—KPN.

THE WEATHER

A weak anticyclone is moving into the
Pacific to the NE of Japan. Another has
developed over Mongolia and is extending
over NE China. Pressure has fallen over
Japan and remains low over SW China
and Burma. The depression is centred
over to E of Okinawa, moving slowly
ENE.
Today's Forecast—Light SE winds,
partly cloudy with scattered moving
showers; continuing warm.
Yesterday's Weather—
Maximum: 83.5 deg. Fah.
Minimum: 75.8 deg. Fah.
Sunshine: 6.7 hours.
Rainfall: 0.3 mm.—91 in. Total since
Jan. 1—295.1 mm. as against an aver-
age of 478 mm.
Remarks as at 10 a.m.:
Bar. at sea level: 1013.8 (1012.8) mb.
Relative humidity: 75% (76%)
Wind: S.W. 10-15 mph.
Wind direction: S.W.
Wind force: 10-15 mph.
Sea: S.W. 10-15 mph.
Sky: Partly cloudy.

**KAI TAK REVERTING TO
CIVIL STATUS**

**Wild Riot
In Paris
Building**

Paris, May 21.

Paris police were com-
pletely submerged in de-
monstrations today. An
angry crowd attacked
the economic control of-
fice with staves, ham-
mers and crowbars,
hacking their way into
the building.

They invaded the three lower
stories and threw furniture, re-
cords and food tickets out into
the street where a huge bonfire
was lighted.

After cry of "Let's go to the
food control office," the crowd
marched to the building and re-
peated their attack, burning
archives and ration cards by
the thousands.

In the Loire department also
there were a number of demon-
strations against the economic
control system. At Pithivier
Neuville, and Sully-sur-Loire
crowds ran economic control
officials out of town.—United
Press.

(By Margaret Bradbury)
Kai Tak airport, which has been under the control
of R.A.F. personnel since the re-occupation, is
to revert to the supervision of civil aviation
authorities in Hong Kong at the beginning of
July.

A staff made up of five controllers, radio telephony
operators and clerks is expected to be flown
out from England within the next few weeks.

As from yesterday the air-
port came partly under civil
control, and Government offi-
cials will carry on in co-opera-
tion with the R.A.F. until the
new team arrives.
Notice was given to the civil
authorities some time ago to the
effect that the shortage of
staff in the R.A.F. flying con-
trol section would make it
necessary that they should take
over from the R.A.F.

This is due to repatriation
and demobilisation of personnel
based in the Colony.
At the moment only one
R.A.F. controller is available
for duties at Kai Tak, and this
officer will leave Hong Kong at
the end of the next six weeks.
The total number of civil staff
to be sent out from England is
not yet known but will be based
on the recommendations of the
Air Survey Group which paid a
visit to the Colony recently.

New Building

It is also expected that an an-
nouncement will be made short-
ly naming the site for Hong
Kong's new airport, but a small
terminal building is now being
built at Kai Tak on the civil
aircraft landing side of the
field.

This building, which is only
one storey high, should be com-
pleted by the end of the month,
and will handle the immigra-
tion, customs and medical for-
malities for passengers.

The terminal will replace the
Nissen-style tents where pas-
sengers landing from civil air-
craft have been "censored"
since the Liberation.

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**British
Manhunt
Ends**

London, May 20.

One of the biggest
manhunts in Britain's
crime history ended to-
day when three young
men were formally re-
mandered on a charge of
murdering Alec de Antiquis
in Charlotte Street,
Soho, London, three
weeks ago.

The accused are Charles
Henry Jenkins, aged 23;
Christopher James Geraghty,
20; and Terence John Peter
Hold, 17.

De Antiquis, a passing motor-
cyclist, was shot and killed
when trying to prevent three
youths escaping after an at-
tempted robbery at a jewellers
shop.

Recently, the Home Secretary
told Parliament that he was
considering making a grant to
the widow and orphans of "this
good citizen" and one national
newspaper collected more than
40,000, mostly in small
amounts, for the same pur-
pose.

Features of the manhunt in-
cluded the discovery of a gun
by children playing in Thames-
side mud; a successful search
for the "frightened lady" said to
have been with a man that the
police wanted to question; and
capture by a policeman "who
never forgets a face."—Reuter.

Paris, May 20.
King Gustav of Sweden, will
tomorrow visit the Paris museum
where historic relics of the
French Revolution are preserved.
In the evening he will attend a
banquet given from the Presidential
box.—Reuter.

**LEND-LEASE FOOD
SPECULATION**

London, May 21.
The "Daily Express," most widely circulated daily
newspaper in Britain, said today that Britain
is planning to send an economic mission to the
United States next summer with the reported
aim to obtain food and raw materials on lend-
lease basis.

A high Government source in close touch with
Cabinet activities disclaimed all knowledge of
the mission, and said he had heard no sug-
gestion of it.

He also denied renewed
speculation that Britain is pre-
paring to ask the United States
for another dollar loan.

"There is no word of truth in
the reports. The Cabinet has
no intention of seeking another
loan and does not want one," he
added.

The "Daily Express" dis-
patch, written by its financial
editor, and it is understood
that Mr. Hector McNell, Min-
ister of State, will head the new
economic mission, but this was
denied by a spokesman of the
Foreign Office.

The spokesman said Mr.
McNell might head the British
delegation to the United Na-
tions Economic and Social
Council in New York but even
this was not definite yet.

The "Daily Express" said:
"The precise terms of refer-
ence of the mission are not
known but it is being freely
cavassed in the city that
America is now prepared to
consider making available a
supply of raw material and food
on a peacetime lend-lease basis
... Mr. McNell would, of
course, be advised by both
Treasury and Bank of England
officials."

The "Daily Mirror" floated
another financial report, say-
ing that Russia has asked Brit-
ain for a credit of £100,000,
000 in return for which she
pledges herself to supply Brit-
ain with timber and wheat.—
United Press.

**Macao
Crops Up
Again**

Nanking, May 21.

Twenty-one members
of the People's Political
Council today presented
recommendations to Pre-
mier General Chang
Chun, calling for the im-
mediate recovery of Ma-
cao.

They declared that China
should abrogate the Sino-
Portuguese treaty, inform
Portugal that Macao must be
returned as soon as possible,
make plans for taking over the
administration and warn that
China will not be responsible for
what may result if the city is
not relinquished.

Other nations have given up
unequal treaties in China they
said, and the recent Sino-
Portuguese treaty, abolishing
extraterritoriality, failed to
mention Macao.

One Councillor, Mr. Shen
Chih-chung, went a step further
and asked the Premier why the
Government does not immedi-
ately take over the administration
of Hong Kong, Port Arthur and
Dairen, as well as Macao.—
Reuter.

**Malaya Rail
Disaster**

Penang, May 21.

Eight people were killed and
18 seriously injured when a
night mail train from Kuala
Lumpur to Penang was derailed
at Bukitengah, five miles from
Penang, this morning.

It was feared that more
casualties were buried under
the overturned coaches.
The accident was due to the
engine running off the line.
This was the first serious ac-
cident on the Malayan railway
lines in sixteen years.—Reuter.

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Battle Of Hong Kong Trial

Verdict In Tanaka Case To Be Given This Morning

FINAL SPEECHES BY COUNSEL

The verdict of the Court in the trial of Major-General Tanaka Ryosaburo, one of three Japanese divisional commanders who led the assault on Hong Kong, is to be given this morning when No. 5 War Crimes Court re-assembles.

Tanaka is charged with responsibility, while commander of the 229 Regiment of the 38th Division of the Imperial Japanese Army, with inhumane acts perpetrated by his troops. These include the alleged killing and ill-treatment of prisoners of war taken at Sai Wan, the Salesian Mission, Repulse Bay, "Overbays" and little Hong Kong, and the killing and ill-treatment of medical personnel, civilians, doctors and orderlies at the Salesian Mission in late December, 1941, during the assault on the Island.

The evidence of Dr. Banfill, that he had heard from a Japanese prisoner officer, when captured, that "all captives must die" formed a major point in both the closing addresses by the Defence and the Prosecution.

Japanese defence counsel, Mr. Sakai Yusuke, submitted that no part of the Tanaka trial had passed the north of Main Barker on the West side of Tai Tam Reservoir where Major Banfill testified he had been executed. He deeply regretted the matter cannot be further clarified owing to the fact that the whereabouts of Banfill, the junior officer in question, are at present unknown.

"The Order"
The Canadian prosecuting officer, Major G.E. Puddicombe, K.C., submitted that though there was no evidence of accused having ordered that POWs be executed, there was the evidence of Dr. Banfill, who had been executed, that he had been told by a junior officer called Hamada, and pronounced Hamada, that the order was to kill all captives.

An affidavit from Nakamura Tokuro, who admitted to having been interpreter at the parade of civilian guests of the Repulse Bay Hotel outside "Eucliff" on Dec. 23, 1941, shortly after the hotel had been surrendered to the Japanese, was submitted to the Court when it reassembled yesterday morning.

Nakamura claimed in his affidavit that he had not spoken to any of the assembled guests other than while interpreting for Major-General (then Colonel) Tanaka. He stated also in his affidavit that no motorcar arrived during the parade.

Defence Case
The closing address by Tanaka's defence counsel, Mr. Sakai Yusuke, read to the Court by the advisory officer to the defence, (J.L.D.C. Banfill) was a detailed analysis of

ZBW TALK

Trevor Glenn, the BBC observer and commentator on current affairs, is to give a talk over ZBW on Saturday evening. His talk will be in connection with the British Flood Relief Fund and he will give Hong Kong first-hand expert information on the results of the recent floods and conditions of Hong.

Mr. Glenn, who is on a lecture tour to troops in the Far East, leaves the Colony on Sunday.

Their hands tied behind their back, could be considered more reliable because Boesveldt appeared to be the more observant of the two men, having noticed the distinguishing marks worn by the Japanese soldiers and Tanaka's coming out of the gate of "Eucliff".

Mr. Baud appeared also uncertain of the exact number of prisoners who were kneeling down. He had stated "half a dozen or more" and "some 12 or fourteen" and recollected three more men arriving and also being tied and made to kneel. This would bring the total number of prisoners to anything from nine to 17. Evidence on the shooting mentioned seven men. The question was, what happened to the other men and why they were not treated in the same way?

"Impossible"
Referring to the Salesian Fort incident of the alleged bayonetting of Volunteers who had surrendered, Mr. Sakai contended that the scars shown by witnesses Chan Yam-kwong and Martin Tao Hin-chi were not scars resulting from a bayonet thrust.

The lines of the scars were not in a straight horizontal line as they would have been if received in a bayonet thrust from a Japanese soldier trained to use his bayonet in the Japanese Army manner. Furthermore, both were slightly wounded and, assuming that they had been bayoneted and not killed outright, it was improbable that they would not have received a second and third thrust if the intention had been to kill.

Commenting further on the evidence of Chan Yam-kwong, Mr. Sakai suggested that witness, if he had been bayoneted, would not have naturally (as he claimed) rolled down the slope as it was not so steep that a human body would naturally roll down it. It was unlikely that he would have fallen down in a position from which he could easily roll down.

Mr. Sakai contended also that a bayonet wound in the wrist would not be sufficient to make a person fall and that Chan's explanation that "all the blood squirted on my shirt, so the Japanese took for granted that I was killed" could not stand. The incident was said to have occurred at night when it was dark and there was, no light to see by.

Tanaka's Position
Speaking of Tanaka's responsibility in respect of the charges made against him, Mr. Sakai said, in part:—

"The accused did in fact make a practice of guiding and instructing his subordinates, so that prisoners of war, the wounded and members of medical organisations would be treated in accordance with International Law.

"Furthermore, on the occasion of the attack on the Island of Hong Kong, he gave addresses to his Junior Commanders in which he stressed the differences in opinion between the European and the Asiatic on the treatment of prisoners of war.

"He again instructed these officers on the treatment of prisoners of war in accordance with International Law and requested them to pass on these instructions to all his subordinates. Even during operations he used to issue concrete instructions regarding treatment of POWs whenever he considered it necessary.

"The fact that the accused gave instructions concerning this matter before this operation took place shows that he carried out his obligations as a commanding officer. He cannot, therefore, be held responsible for any neglect of duty on the part of his men.

No Proof
There is nothing to prove that the accused ever allowed or ordered or induced his subordinates to act in any manner which might infringe International Law.

"The witness Banfill stated that he heard from Honda that the order is that all captives must die." The troops referred to by this witness were not from Tanaka's regiment. It is deeply regretted that the matter cannot be further clarified owing to the fact that the whereabouts of Honda are at present unknown.

"Assuming that the Sai Wan and Salesian Mission incidents were carried out by any of Tanaka's troops, these cases could only have occurred while the accused was out of touch with his troops. It is known that the accused had no contact with his second battalion from the time he landed on Dec. 18 until they met at a rendezvous at 1700 hours on the 19th. "It is true that the accused saw some prisoners whose hands were tied behind their backs. These prisoners of war, however, had their hands tied only because they had attempted to escape. It is obvious that this was only a temporary measure used in the heat of battle."

Three Points

In his closing address for the Prosecution, Major Puddicombe submitted that to find accused guilty the Court would have to satisfy itself on three points:— that the atrocities charged against accused's troops actually occurred; that the troops committing the atrocities were under the command of accused; and that Tanaka, as commanding officer, was responsible for the conduct of his troops.

"It is, then," Major Puddicombe said, "first necessary to discuss the evidence concerning the actual commission of the alleged atrocities. In the case of the massacres at Sai Wan and the Salesian Mission the Court has actually heard, in person, survivors tell of the murderous slayings.

"In addition, Dr. Banfill has described to you the bayonetting of wounded British officers by his captors. Mr. Baud has told you, himself, of what he saw with his own eyes happening at 'Eucliff' and Madame Old corroborates it with her eye-witness testimony.

"In the face of the evidence given by Colonel Ride, George Lemay, Mr. Boesveldt and Mr. Flanagan there can be no doubt that bodies were found after the fighting at the 'Ridge', 'Overbays', on the Repulse Bay Road, and that these bodies bore evidence on the manner in which life had departed from them, hands tied, shooting, bayonetting or beheading.

"In addition to this eye-witness evidence is the evidence offered by affidavit. Again, in a number of cases this was given by actual survivors of the massacres; for instance, Oler Thomas and Cpl. Leath at the Salesian Mission, Pryce respecting the bayonetting of Sgt. Cuzner and himself on the road below Lyemun, CSM. Hamlen at 'Eucliff'."

"Despite the accused's denial that any such thing happened, irrespective of who did it, it is submitted that it has been proved beyond the peradventure of a doubt that, all up and down the line of the Tanaka Butai, prisoners of war, surrendered personnel, and—in regard to the Salesian Mission only—medical personnel, were butchered by Japanese troops.

"Beyond Doubt"

"Now it is essential to discuss what Japanese troops were concerned. It is the Prosecution's contention that beyond any doubt whatsoever, men of the Tanaka Butai committed the atrocities at Sai Wan, the Salesian Mission, bayoneted the wounded H.K.S. Artillery men and performed the execution at 'Eucliff'; that beyond any reasonable doubt men under the accused's command murdered the victims at the 'Ridge', 'Overbays', on the Repulse Bay Road and at the Lyemun Light.

"Nevertheless, with one, or possibly two, exceptions, the evidence that Tanaka's troops were concerned is circumstantial. Circumstantial evidence, as acquired, in the lay mind, is a totally unjustified stigma. Actually, as has been attested many, many times, the evidence of the circumstances is more reliable than that of eye-witnesses.

clerion but that the accused is guilty can be drawn from them.

Sai Wan

"There is no suggestion anywhere that other than Tanaka's troops did capture Sai Wan. There is, indeed, no other rational conclusion, given that the massacre did, in fact, take place, to be drawn but that elements of his Second Battalion did perpetrate it. In other words, as Tanaka's troops took Sai Wan, it is conclusive that they were responsible for what happened at the time of, and immediately after, the capture.

"When it comes to the Salesian Mission there are a number of factors which must be weighed. It will be recalled that Tanaka's troops took Lyemun Barracks and Sai Wan Hill and that these are above and to the east of the Salesian Mission.

"Further, the road from Lyemun to the Island Road is well south of the Mission, which lies between the junction and the site of the Tanaka landings. Now, the Japanese who took the Mission came from the South, not from the water front. This is apparent from two isolated facts.

"Ubiquitous"

"Coming to the massacre at 'Eucliff' on Dec. 23, 1941, the evidence is almost entirely direct. The shooting of the men on the slope in front of 'Eucliff' took place only some 10 or 15 minutes after Tanaka himself had made a speech to them. He himself says he was the last to leave 'Eucliff' and no one remained after him. We have then, direct evidence that Tanaka's troops were in the vicinity when the shooting occurred. There is no evidence of any other troops, save the ubiquitous Anti-Tank Unit, being anywhere near.

"The Anti-Tank Unit, according to Tanaka's computation of the time, could hardly have reached the gates of 'Eucliff' until some half hour after Baud and Mrs. Old saw the execution take place.

"It is submitted that the most rational explanation is that troops under Tanaka's command captured the 'Ridge' and murdered the prisoners. To begin with, the situation was directly beside Tanaka's route. The water catchment along which he went is only a little way above. A party moving along the catchment would be continually menaced by a position there.

"If Tanaka did not see to it being cleared, then for a responsible commander he was acting in a most reprehensible manner. It has been suggested that Doi's Butai might have attacked this point. Doi was engaged in pushing past Wong-neichong and continuing along the south side of Mount Nicholson.

"It is evident, and Tanaka agrees, that there was no reason for Doi to go down the Repulse Bay Road. So, unless some of the vague, lost troops or the ubiquitous Anti-Tank Unit stepped out of character to commit the assault, it must be conceded that Tanaka's troops captured this point.

Other Murders

"The murder of POWs at the Lyemun Light can, again, only rationally be attributed to Tanaka's men. There is every evidence that his troops passed there on the 19th, when, his platoon went off to assault Brick Hill, and again when the second battalion went to capture Brick Hill. In the latter case, they must have passed the point in order to get to their objective.

"As to what happened at Shouson Hill, there is again little to be said. Certainly a body was brought out of the well. A medical officer is, however, of the opinion that the bones were those of an Oriental. His opinion, he tells us, is founded on nothing more than the size indicated by the skeleton. Now, there are small Europeans. This Court has had before it on one or two occasions a certain Lieutenant-Colonel of the Winnipeg Grenadiers who is certainly no giant.

"One other point is remarkable about Lai Kwok's evidence regarding the Shouson Shan episode. It is the question of identification. Lai Kwok states

Coming Events

May 22—Y's Mens' Club, Gloucester Hotel, 12.45 p.m. Speaker: Major C.F. Miles on "Egypt."
May 24—H.K. & Yumant Feries, annual meeting, noon.
May 24-25 Whitsun Race meeting.
May 28—H.K. Realty & Trust Co. annual meeting, noon.
May 29—H.K. Tramways Ltd. annual meeting, Jardine's of. fees, noon.
May 31—China Provident annual and extraordinary meetings, Jacobson, Room, H.K. Hotel, noon.
May 31—China Emporium annual meeting, 3 p.m.
June 9—H.K. & Whampoa Decks, extraordinary meeting, noon.
June 27—Indo-China S.N. Co. Ltd., annual general meeting, noon.

that the Japanese whom he saw there wore a white patch on, if I remember correctly, the left breast on which was imprinted the characters Tanaka Tai or Butai. This is startling evidence, the more so as, with one exception, no other witness has admitted to having seen such a mark.

"Not Too Remarkable"
"The Court" has witnessed nearly all, if not all, the Prosecution's witnesses respecting identification marks. With one exception, no one of them has remembered seeing such a mark. Now, this is not too remarkable. It should be borne in mind that the circumstances were, Banfill, for instance, his friends massacred before his eyes, he himself told that as soon as he had served their purpose, they would kill him, too, could hardly be expected to observe minor details of Japanese dress for future reference. None of the European witnesses could be expected to have been anything but perturbed at the moment of capture.

"Even had things been normal, it is doubtful if, in the majority of cases, their powers of observation would have been developed to a sufficiently high point to have remembered such a detail after five years.

"Before any aspersions are cast I would suggest a simple test to the Court. The present prosecutor appeared before you for 52 sittings in a recent case. He wore, at one time and another, various uniforms including bush shirts, service dress and battle dress. On one only of these did he wear a shoulder patch. On which type of dress was the patch and what did it look like?

The Exception
"But, there was one exception, and remarkably enough Mr. Boesveldt corroborates Mr. Kwok. He says, 'All I know is that they had some white kind of label on their breast' and something written on it."

"Given that the atrocities alleged have been proved and that troops under the command of the accused committed them, to what extent is he concerned? "It is patent that if it were proved, for instance, that the accused himself ordered POWs to be executed, he would have difficulty in escaping conviction. Of course, there is no such evidence.

"But there is evidence that such orders were in effect. Principally, this is the evidence of Dr. Banfill. He was told by a junior officer called Honda, and pronounced Honda, that the order was to kill all captives. This order was apparently confirmed by a more senior officer. Now, given that Banfill was captured by Tanaka's men, the evidence is clear that such an order existed.

"At this point it is not so clear from whom the order emanated. So, you are asked to consider the evidence of Baud, Boesveldt and Gomersall. Each of these witnesses avers that when they were lined up outside of 'Eucliff' it was intimated to them by a Japanese that they should be shot. Surely no subordinate would dare to make such a suggestion either in presence of his superior or if the said superior's advent was imminent unless the statement was sanctioned by his superior."

HEALTH FIGURES

During the period May 11th-17th, there were 105 cases, with 37 deaths, of tuberculosis reported in the Colony.

Other infectious cases included 10 cases (3 deaths) of cerebrospinal meningitis; 13 cases (9 deaths) of malaria; 2 cases (2 deaths) of typhoid; 1 case (1 death) of dysentery; and 5 cases (2 deaths) of enteric fever.

Deaths registered from all causes totalled 225. Births totalled 548, 402 of which were on this Island.

GRACIE GIVEN EIGHT YEARS

Sentence of eight years' imprisonment with hard labour was passed by Mr. Justice E.H. Williams (Puisne Judge) at the Supreme Court yesterday on James Kenneth Gracie, who was found guilty of doing an act likely to assist the enemy with intent to assist the enemy, by the jury, which did not retire.

Gracie was charged under the Defence Regulations with working as a commentator in a German Radio Station in Shanghai during the war, broadcasting anti-Allied propaganda. After the verdict, Mr. A. Lansdale, Crown Prosecutor, asked the Court to take into consideration accused's excellent war record in the First World War. Accused had served in the Army and was severely gassed. He was made a King's Corporal on the field, a unique honour in that there are only eleven such Corporals in the British Army.

Accused's story about his wife and child in Shanghai was true. He had returned to Shanghai and his family from another part of the world where he was living in comfortable circumstances.

Before passing sentence, Mr. Justice Williams said that accused had been found guilty and although he would take into consideration accused's excellent war record, he considered the offence to be one of enormous magnitude.

He would take into consideration the fact that accused had been in prison for one year in Shanghai.

Mr. Justice Williams then sentenced Gracie to eight years' imprisonment with hard labour.

Another War Crimes Trial

The trial commenced before No. 5 War Crimes Court yesterday of Colonel Sasawa Hideto, Commandant of Prisoner of War Camp groups in Formosa between July, 1943, and August, 1945, and a subordinate officer and N.C.O. Sasawa, Lieutenant Hikari Shiro, and Corporal Matsumoto Yoshio, are jointly charged with having been together concerned at No. 4 Branch Camp, Shiro-jawa, in the ill-treatment of prisoners of war and civilians, resulting in physical suffering to many of them.

As Commandant of P.O.W. Camps in Formosa, Sasawa is additionally charged with responsibility for ill-treatment of POWs at the branch camps at Kinkaseki, Taichu and Hatto, the Headquarters Camps at Dailchoku in Formosa, and in transit resulting in the deaths of a number of the prisoners-of-war and in physical suffering to many prisoners-of-war and civilian internees.

The Prosecuting Officer is Major R.C. Lal. Accused are being defended by Japanese Defence Counsel, Mr. Tanaka Yukata, with Capt. J.M. Whitehorn as Advisory Officer.

Chan Wah, Chan Kam-cheong and Tang Choh were also recommended for banishment at the expiration of their sentence.

BRIBERY CHARGE

Health Inspector Kwong Hon-ming was released on \$10,000 bail by Mr. Sainsbury at Central yesterday on two charges of demanding bribes with menaces and on another two counts of accepting bribes.

At the request of DSI V. Morrison, Kwong was formally remanded for one week. Mr. M.A. da Silva will defend Kwong.

Palmistry: It Pays To Advertise?

Claiming to be a well-known palmist from Shanghai, Wat Ngau (alias Wat Nang-shun) was fined \$250 by Mr. Sainsbury at Central yesterday for fortune-telling at the St. Francis Hotel on May 20. His interpreter, Ling Ding-mon (a young girl) was fined \$100 for aiding and abetting.

Inspector C.T. Byron, of the S.C.A., said Wat had been living at the St. Francis Hotel since May 7 and, as a result of an advertisement in the Chinese Press, he was summoned to the S.C.A. on May 5 and warned personally by Mr. Todd.

Despite this Wat continued his practise at the hotel. Two lady inspectors of the S.C.A. were sent to Wat's room in the hotel on Tuesday to have their fortune told. Wat charged them \$15 each for reading their palms. Inspector Byron and two Chinese detectives arrested Wat and his interpreter.

A sign board found hanging inside Wat's room showed the palms of many famous persons including the late President Franklin Roosevelt, Mr. Winston Churchill, Joseph Stalin, Soviet Foreign Commissar Molotov, and two former Axis leaders Adolf Hitler and Mussolini.

Wat told the Court that he had travelled widely in Europe as a palmist and was intended to return to Shanghai in a few days.

Two Years' Sentence

Two years' hard labour was the sentence meted out to Fung Chung, Chan Wah, Chan Kam-cheong alias Lai Wong, and Tang Choh by Mr. W.A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday when the first accused pleaded guilty to the charge of store-breaking and larceny of nine boxes of gunnison primers and one jack, and the remaining three to aiding and abetting him.

On the charge of possession of dangerous goods in an air raid shelter at Ngau Tau Kok, all defendants were sentenced to six months' hard labour, and three months on the possession of an instrument fit for an unlawful purpose count. All the sentences are to be concurrent.

Chan Wah, Chan Kam-cheong and Tang Choh were also recommended for banishment at the expiration of their sentence.

An exhibition of the recent paintings of Mr. Lulu Chan opens today at St. John's Cathedral Hall. There are 131 exhibits, of which about 30 are in oils, the remainder being watercolours.

The forthcoming wedding of F.M. Fattydnd, managing director Reliance Trading Co., Ltd., living at 16 Dorset Crescent, Kowloon, to Miss Tso Mei-ying, of the same address, is announced.

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NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

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Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.
The Treasurers' Comptrollers' Office will close each day at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Day (Tel. 27818).
NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

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The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$5 each day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.
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Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY on application to the Secretary, 1st Floor, Exchange Building.
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By Order
C. E. BROWN,
Secretary

"GERMANS, QUIT GRUMBLING" Anglo-American Warning: Apathy Will Not Bring Better Days. Childish To Blame The Allies

Berlin, May 20.

The British and American military governors, Air Marshal Sir Sholto Douglas and General Lucius D. Clay, told the German people to-night to stop grumbling and demonstrating and get to work if they wanted the food and economic conditions improved.

In a joint statement, the Governors pointed out that Germany's war of aggression was the direct cause of the present food crisis. They told the Germans that the United States and Great Britain for two years had been bearing the cost of supporting them.

"Grumbling and apathy will not bring better days for Germany," the proclamation declared. "Brave acceptance of responsibilities, hard work and courage in the face of present adversity will alone achieve well-being."

Air Marshal Sir Sholto Douglas and General Clay termed as "childish" efforts by some German officials to blame the Allies for the food shortage. They said such gestures as a refusal to carry out their duties and to stage demonstrations, "particularly in working hours," could have no influence on better imports.

Stressing that German indigenous production was insufficient to meet requirements

in the two zones and had to be supplemented by imports, the joint statement said:

Great Cost

"German exports are quite sufficient to pay for these and the cost has for two years been borne by the United States and British Governments. Nevertheless, this cost, though great, has not resulted in any reduction in imports and continuous efforts have been made to obtain maximum supplies from overseas."

The announcement called attention to the fact that although German rations seem meagre, they were but little below the rations of most western European nations. — United Press.

GERMAN GRUMBLE

Dusseldorf, May 20.

Heinrich Luebbe, North Rhine-Westphalia Food Minister, today blamed the Military Government for the current food crisis and said the United States eventually might be forced to send wheat to Germany.

Addressing the second day's meeting of the new Landtag, Luebbe said: "We remember reports that the United States is due for a bumper harvest. If for political reasons they are not prepared to send us food, they may be forced to do so later for economic reasons."

It is believed Luebbe was hinting that the United States might be faced with a world wheat glut.

"Foreign commentators claim the black market is responsible for the food crisis," he continued. "We reply it is the fault of the Military Government and there is some truth in both viewpoints."

He asserted that a number of offers of food to Germany had been turned down by the Allied authorities, including 150 tons of lard monthly from Denmark; 6,000 to 8,000 tons of oil from France; and an offer of whale oil from Denmark and Norway in exchange for Ruhr coal. He said that as long as the people were hungry, it was impossible to plan economic and agricultural life.

Luebbe said it was "absolutely impossible" to plan distribution with those conditions.

Improper Methods

"I could give several recent examples where even members of the German administration have taken part in improper methods of obtaining food."

He maintained that the special scheme for providing miners with extra food was not having the desired effect and production for the past two days was way under 200,000 tons.

In apparent reference to General Lucius Clay's recent speech, in which the Governor said troops might be used to see that German farmers did not hoard food, Luebbe said, "It is my opinion that it is no good trying to control agricultural production by virtual police methods."

"We appeal to the entire world for help in this distressed province of North Rhine-West-

No Aping Of Russia

London, May 19.

The Food Minister, Mr. John Strachey, told the Commons today that the British Labour Government did not subscribe to the Russian slogan, "No work, no eat."

Sir Waldron Smithers (Cons.) asked why miners absent from work still received the special miners' food allocations and whether Government would follow Russia's system of withdrawing ration cards from slackers.

Mr. Strachey replied: "No

FLOWER SHOW

London, May 20.

The annual Chelsea Flower Show, sponsored by the Royal Horticultural Society, will open tomorrow after an interval of eight years. The King, Queen and other members of the Royal Family made a tour of the show today.

Although exhibitors are not so numerous as before the war, the show is expected to be one of the most successful ever held. The King saw his own exhibits of butter flowers grown in the Royal Gardens at Windsor. — Reuter.

German Black Market

Frankfurt, May 20.

Sumner Sewall, Military Governor of Wurttemberg-Baden and former Governor of Maine, told the German people in his state today that the Americans may stop sending food unless the Black Market is halted and food demonstrations stopped.

In an address over Radio Stuttgart, Mr. Sewall said there was evidence that large amounts of food have disappeared from farms into the Black Market during the winter.

"The American people have heard much of this Black Market," Mr. Sewall said. "The Military Government will not be a party to asking the American taxpayers to make up this Black Market deficit."

He said there had been several "wildcat strikes" in the state outwardly protesting against food shortages. He warned that the strikes had an extremely unfavourable effect in America.

"There is ever-increasing resistance against allocating food for Germany in America," Mr. Sewall said.

Danger

"There is a very distinct danger that strikes and demonstrations on your part at this time can easily jeopardize food supplies that are currently coming to Germany," he said.

"The war between our peoples has reaped its millions of dead by violence.... You must know that there was the inevitable danger that hunger might reap a second harvest." — United Press.

Defiance Of UNO

Lake Success, May 20.

The United States charged in the Security Council that Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Albania are showing deliberate defiance of the United Nations in their refusal to cooperate with the Council's Balkans investigation and border watching programme.

The U. S. delegate, Mr. Johnson, told the Council "it is entirely impossible that this Council should accept their refusal to cooperate."

Johnson, leading the fight against the Russian-inspired attempt to curtail the United Nations inquiry in the Balkans, accused the three Balkan countries of "setting a dangerous precedent for the United Nations by setting themselves up as judges" in the debate on the Balkans.

Johnson criticized the Russian proposal to limit operations of the sub-commission now assigned to the Balkans as an effort to paralyze the work of the investigators.

It may be recalled that Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Albania were accused by Greece of fomenting attacks on the government in northern Greece and have served notice that they consider the sub-commission illegally formed and therefore will not cooperate with it.

Johnson said: "It seems to me that if they refuse to cooperate when requested by the Council, they would put themselves in the position of deliberate defiance of the United Nations." — United Press.

U.S. Navy Fund Vote

Washington, May 20.

The House of Representatives passed and sent to the Senate the 1948 Navy Department Appropriations Bill after affirming a 10 per cent cut in the Navy funds ordered by the House Appropriations Committee.

The measure provides US\$3,467,701,000 for the U. S. Navy during the 12 months beginning July 1. The bill was passed by a voice vote.

Attempts to wipe out the 10 per cent reduction on the floor were beaten down easily. The House Democratic whip, Representative John W. McCormack, then expressed the hope that the Senate would vote the Navy larger amounts.

The House Appropriations Committee chairman, Rep. John Taber, disputed the claim that a cut in funds for Navy personnel would force a reduction of 70,000 in Navy strength and 12,000 in the Marine Corps.

He said the Navy could maintain present strength on a restricted budget if it would reduce high-ranking officers to pre-war ranks. — United Press.

We do not intend to follow any of the examples pointed out to us by the honourable gentleman." — United Press.

Lords To Examine Bill Closely

London, May 20.

Conservative and Liberal Peers in the House of Lords tonight pledged themselves to support the Labour Government's bill to bring Britain's inland transportation under state control when it is given its second reading tomorrow night.

But they made it clear that they intended to give its clauses the careful scrutiny missed when the bill was "guillotined" through the House of Commons a few weeks ago.

The attitude of the Conservative opposition, which has a majority in the House of Lords, was set out by Lord Swinton, former Minister of Civil Aviation, who declared that although they would not vote against it, the Conservatives would give the bill "a close and careful" study during the committee stage.

Thirty-one clauses and five schedules of the bill had received no consideration at all under the Government's decision to impose a strict time limit in the House of Commons, he declared. Two hundred Government amendments made without discussion "may have been good or bad." The opposition would try to look at the bill from the point of view of the travelling public.

Liberal Support

Lord Beveridge, formerly Sir William Beveridge, the noted economist, said that the Liberal

Fantastic To Protest

London, May 19.

Britain will not protest to Russia about Soviet officials who do not understand the fine art of "bird watching."

The Foreign Under-Secretary, Major G. P. Mayne, told the Commons it would be "fantastic" to lodge a protest against repetition of an incident in Berlin involving Brigadier W. R. N. Hinde last Sunday.

Brig. Hinde, who is an ornithologist, was temporarily detained by a Soviet patrol while bird watching in the British sector, near the Soviet Embassy. He said the Soviets realized their mistake and quickly apologized. — United Press.

Moscow Radio Attacks Truman Again

London, May 20.

Moscow Radio launched another attack on President Truman in its English broadcast today by its commentator, V. Linetsky. It takes the speeches of Mr. Dean Acheson and Mr. Averell Harriman as point of departure for strictures on dollar diplomacy as the true meaning of President Truman's policy.

The loan to France, Linetsky said, is a manoeuvre to bring about modification of French policy in favour of the Truman Doctrine and "now dollar diplomacy is trying to force a similar policy on Italy."

"With dollar pressure behind them," continued the commentator, "Italian reactionaries are again trying to put the helm to the right, just as they did during the January crisis."

These constant attacks from Moscow on the Truman Doctrine, incidentally, receive little attention in the British press.

Officially, one finds almost a boycotting of any mention of the doctrine. It was widely noted that the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Bevin, in his two long speeches on Foreign Affairs in Parliament last week never once even mentioned the Truman Policy.

When officials here are questioned on the subject, they usually register embarrassment and fall back on the mild statement by Mr. McNell, Minister of State, at the time President Truman first announced his plan of aid to Greece and Tur-

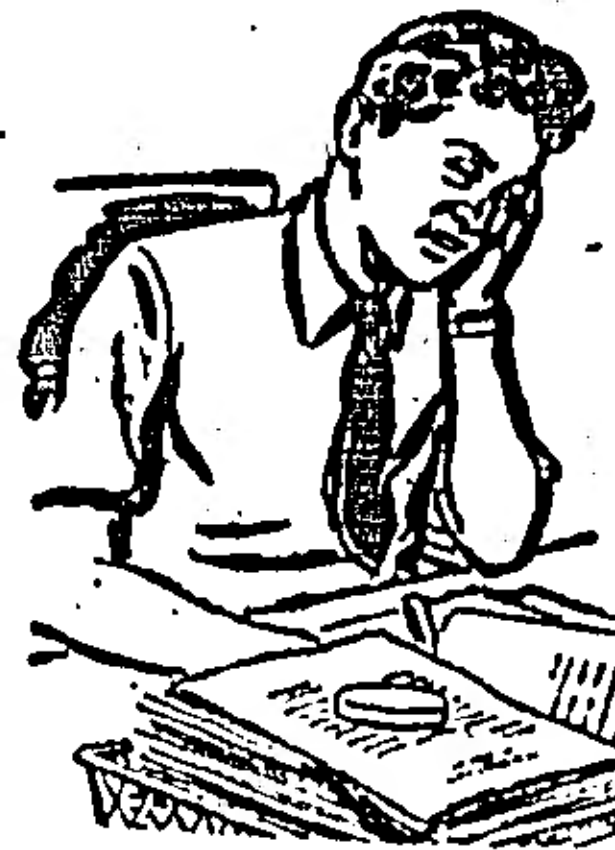
SKULL FOR HIS WIFE

Frankfurt, May 19.

Dr. Max Schmidt, who sent the skull of an American airman to his wife as a souvenir, was sentenced to ten years' imprisonment by the district court today.

In a statement read in the court, the former German Army doctor was said to have severed the head of a dead American airman, boiled it in a jam can, removed the flesh and eyes from the skull and sent the head to his wife. — United Press.

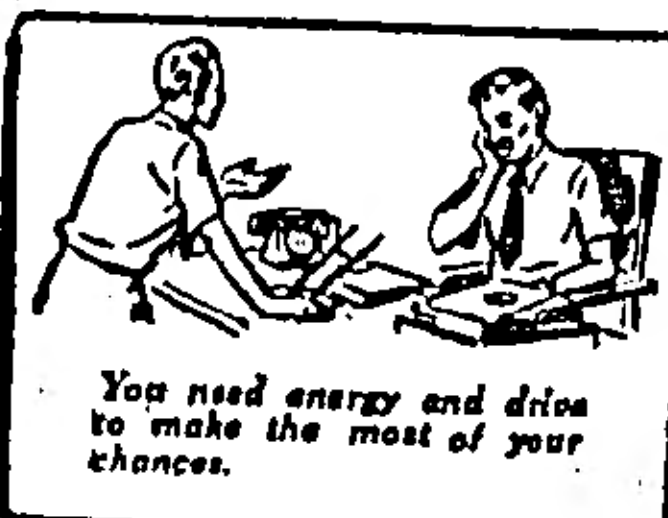
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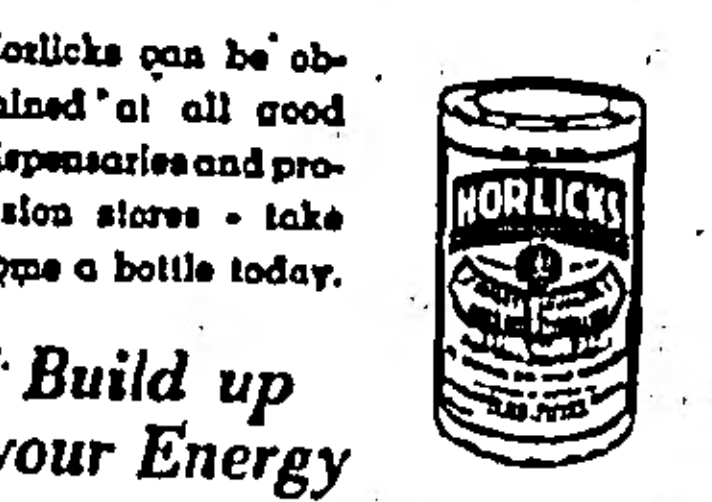


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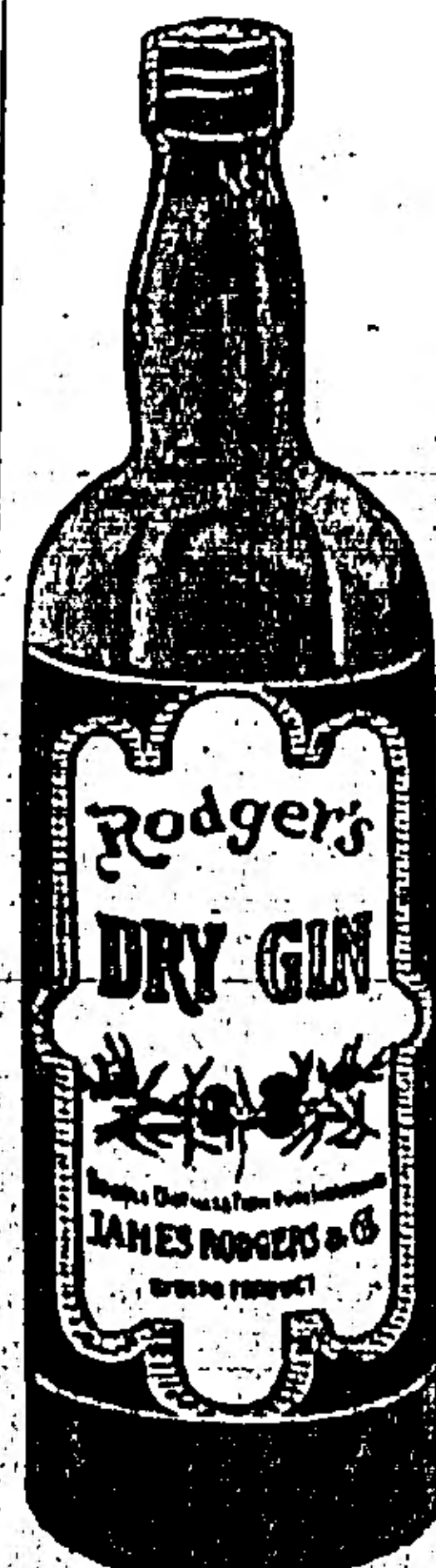
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Form. This sum may be reckoned as part of the 10% deposit
required to be remitted with any tender. (See paragraph
of Page 1 of Tender Form).

5. The \$100.00 deposits made by contractors not eventually
winning to tender will be returnable against receipt in the
Board's offices of the original Tender Form issued.

6. Closing date for tenders:—12 Noon, Thursday, 29th May,
1947.

7. The Chairman of the British Stores Disposal Board
(Hong Kong) does not bind himself to accept the highest or
any tender.

WALTER M. WEINBERGER

Chairman,
BRITISH STORES DISPOSAL BOARD,
HONG KONG.

LAMMERT BROS.

Auctioneers, Surveyors
and Appraisers.
Pedder Building
Telephone No. 20224.

PUBLIC AUCTION

BY ORDER OF THE DIREC-
TOR OF DISPOSALS FAR
EASTERN AREA (M.O.S.)
Messrs. Lammert Brothers of
Pedder Building, Hong Kong,
have received instructions to
sell by Auction at their Sales
Rooms, Pedder Building—Bas-
ement, at 10.30 a.m. on Thurs-
day, the 22nd day of May 1947

A LARGE QUANTITY OF
MISCELLANEOUS STORES
comprising:—

Compound Steam Dynamo
Engines, Feed Pumps, Trans-
formers, Gauges, Binoculars,
Binoculars, Tables, Chairs, Camp
Beds, Looking Glasses, Lamps,
Lanterns, Old Batteries, Scrap
Tool Steel, Cable, Rubber,
Canvas, Linen, Leather, Cork,
Etc., Etc.

(stored in H.M. Naval
Dockyard, Hongkong, and in
Candy Store, Talkoo Sugar
Refinery, Hongkong)

also
Drums of Bitumen
(stored at E.S.B.D.,
Chatham Road, Kowloon)

Permits to view, Catalogues,
Special Conditions of Sales etc.
may be obtained from Messrs.
Lammert Brothers.

Inspection of the above Stores
can be made between the hours
of 10.00 a.m. and noon and be-
tween 2.00 p.m. and 4.00 p.m.
on Tuesday and Wednesday,
the 20th and 21st May 1947.

WALTER M.
WEINBERGER,
Chairman,
BRITISH STORES
DISPOSAL BOARD,
Hong Kong.

Boten's Beauty Salons
You can trust your personal
Beauty Problems — your Per-
manent Waves, Shampoo, Sets,
Tinting, Facials, Manicure,
Pedicure to Boten's expert
operators (1st floor) above
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Service Auction Rooms
Auctioneers, Surveyors, etc.
Bancourt French Bank Bldg.,
A.M.B. 2nd Floor, Auctioneers.
(Telephone 81897)

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that
the Forty-Sixth Annual General
Meeting of the Shareholders
will be held in the Jacobean
Room of the Hongkong Hotel,
Pedder Street, Hongkong on
Saturday, the 31st May 1947, at
Noon for the following purposes,
namely, to consider the annual
statement of accounts and the
balance sheet, and the reports
of the Directors and Auditors
thereon, to elect Directors and
Auditors in the place of those
retiring, to declare a dividend
and bonus, to appropriate the
balance of Profit and Loss
Accounts as recommended by
the Directors, and to transact
any other ordinary business of
the Company.

AND NOTICE is also given
that the Share Transfer Regis-
ters will be closed from 20th
May, 1947 to 31st May, 1947,
both date inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

A. D. LEARMONTH,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1947.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that
an Extraordinary General Meet-
ing of Shareholders will be held
at the Jacobean Room, Hong-
kong Hotel, Pedder Street,
Hong Kong, on Saturday, 31st
May, 1947, at 12.15 p.m. (or
as soon thereafter as the Or-
dinary Annual Meeting to be
held at Noon on that date shall
have been concluded) for the
purpose of considering and, if
thought fit, passing the sub-
joined Resolution as an Ordina-
ry Resolution:—

"That the Capital of the
Company be increased to
\$10,000,000.—by the creation
of One Million Two Hundred
Thousand additional new
shares of Five Dollars each
to be issued at such terms
and conditions in every re-
spect as the Company's Board
of Directors may think fit."

By Order of the Board,
A. D. LEARMONTH,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1947.

NOTICE

THE HONGKONG AND YAU MAI FERRY CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that
the Eighteenth Ordinary Annual
Meeting of the Company will
be held at the Company's Office,
3rd Floor, 144-146 Des Voeux
Road, Central, Hongkong, on
Saturday the 24th May 1947 at
12.00 noon for the purpose of
receiving the Report and State-
ment of Accounts for the Year
ended 31st December 1946 and
for the period 16th September
to 31st December 1946.

Notice is also given that the
Share Register of the Company
will be closed from the 15th
May 1947 to the 24th May 1947,
both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
LAU TAK PO,
Managing Director.

HONGKONG, 10th May, 1947.

HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the Ordinary Yearly Gen-
eral Meeting of HONGKONG
TRAMWAYS LIMITED will be
held at the Office of Messrs.
Jardine, Matheson and Com-
pany, Limited, Hongkong, on
Thursday, the 29th day of May,
1947, at 12 o'clock Noon, to
transact the ordinary business
of the Company.

AND, NOTICE IS HEREBY
ALSO GIVEN that the Regis-
ter of Members of the Com-
pany will be closed from the
18th day of May to the 11th
day of June, 1947, both days
inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. H. PATERSON,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th May, 1947.

SENSATIONAL CHANGE SOON IN FOREIGN POLICY?

The Paris newspaper "Le Monde," which often re-
flects French Foreign Office views, forecast to-
night a sensational change toward the East in
Britain's foreign policy, due to Britain's short-
age of American dollars.

The dollar shortage was obliging Britain to make
purchases outside the United States, the paper
said. The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Bevin, also
desired not to increase the tension with Russia
before the November Four-Power conference
on the German peace settlement, "Le Monde"
added.

"Recent speeches of Mr. Bevin have shown that he con-
sidered success of the confer-
ence to be indispensable and
that success will result only
from cancellation which he
would like to practise from
now on," the paper said.

It was a question of develop-
ing trade between the two
countries, notably in Russian
lumber, of which Britain had
great need for her reconstruc-
tion, in return for British ma-
chines, "Le Monde" said.

A good Russian harvest also
might provide Britain with
wheat, it added, although it
could not amount to much.

"It is absurd to think that
Russia could supplant the United
States in this. America for
years to come will remain the
feeder of the world. Pleasing
or not, it is true and Britain
should accept it, with other na-
tions."

Line Of Defence

The evening paper "L'In-
transigent" said that Britain
in contemplating strengthening
her Imperial defence lines in
Africa.

"Britain's interest in Africa
seems to confirm the fact that,
being incapable of assuring
protection of the Suez and
eastern Mediterranean, she is

thinking of transferring to
Africa her Imperial line of de-
fence," the paper said.

"This in mind, she envisages
the development and moderniza-
tion of the Dark Continent, in-
cluding, irrigation, cultural
amelioration, industrial con-
struction, building of roads,
establishment of military bases
on the western and Atlantic
coasts and the raising of the
standard of living of the na-
tive populations."

"This vast project neces-
itates close cooperation with
France and Belgium, whose
African possessions are particu-
larly important,"—Reuter.

Director Albert Plesman of the
Royal Dutch Airlines will arrive
here on June 6 for discussions
with the Royal Netherlands Indies
Airlines (KLM).—United Press.

Calcutta, May 20.
Rioting worsened in Calcutta
today with 20 shooting, bomb,
acid-throwing and arson in-
cidents, involving three deaths
and forty persons injured up to
9 p.m.

Troops and police fired eight
rounds to disperse an armed
crowd trying to burn a police
station, and the police fired
again when a bomb was thrown
at a train.

The police arrested 177 per-
sons today.—Reuter.

Batavia, May 20.
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here on June 6 for discussions
with the Royal Netherlands Indies
Airlines (KLM).—United Press.

IN THE MATTER OF THE
COMPANIES ORDINANCES,
1932

and of
EAST POINT
TRADING CO., LTD.
(In Voluntary
Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that
the Final General Meeting of
the above-named Company will
be held at its registered office
16, Pedder Street, Hong Kong
on Saturday, 28th June, 1947,
at 12 o'clock noon for the pur-
pose of having an account of
the liquidators, showing the
manner in which the winding-up
has been conducted and the
Property of the Company dis-
posed of, laid before such Meet-
ing and of hearing any ex-
planation that may be given
by the liquidators and to pass
the following Extraordinary
Resolution, viz:—

"That the Books, Accounts
and Documents of the Com-
pany and of the liquidators
thereof be retained by the
liquidators, they undertak-
ing to destroy the same at
the expiration of five years
from the Dissolution of the
Company."

By Order of the Board,
E. G. CRAIG,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong,
Dated this Ninth day of May,
1947.

JOHN FLEMING, C.A.,
A. RITCHIE, C.A.
Joint Liquidators.

Hong Kong, 21st May, 1947.

THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING

The SIXTY-SECOND OR-
DINARY ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING of the Company will
be held at the Offices of the
General Managers, Messrs.
Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.,
Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on
Friday, 27th June, 1947, at
noon, for the purpose of re-
ceiving the Report of the Directors,
passing the Accounts for the
year ended 31st December, 1946,
and electing Directors and
Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the
Company will be closed from
the 20th June, 1947, to the 11th
July, 1947, inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
JARDINE MATHESON
& CO., LTD.
General Managers.

Hong Kong, 19th May, 1947.

SABOTAGE?

Hayward, Calif., May 20.
A concrete block which
officers said apparently had
been put on the tracks in a
"deliberate attempt to wreck
the train" overturned the en-
gine and baggage car of the
Western Pacific "Feather
River" express at Decoto,
California. Four crew mem-
bers were injured.—United

Stripped Her To The Waist

London, May 20.
Young doctor to pretty
young applicant for job:—
"Remove your upper
garments please. It's just
routine, you know."

The girl stripped to the waist
and sat back on the examining
table as the doctor put a stetho-
scope to her chest and back.

The doctor ended the examina-
tion and dismissed the applicant.
A second girl applied for the job
but she balked when she still
had one piece of clothing on.

"Doctor," John Albert Mann,
25-year-old druggist, appeared in
court today on a charge of in-
decently assaulting two young
women by examining them.

The prosecution charged that
Mann set up what he called a
"temporary clinic" in a bombed-
out building which he rented and
conducted medical examinations
without the knowledge of his em-
ployers, whom he claimed to re-
present.

Evidence was given by two
girls who applied for jobs, Nellie
Audrey Barker, 22, and her sister
Dorothy, 23.

Mann was released on bail—
United Press.

will not stop until everybody has
enough to eat and to live. Woman
with children can be forbidden to
have American cigarettes, but she
will not let them starve. She will
do it anyway. There is no risk.
Even if she is hanged. Both ways
are leading to death."—United

"The Black Market in Germany Press.

Wallace Has A Plan For World Peace

San Francisco, May 20.
What he described as "an overall plan for the
abolition of war" was put forward tonight by
Mr. Henry Wallace, former United States
Vice-President and opponent of the present
United States foreign policy.

Speaking in San Francisco
Opera House, the "birthplace"
of the United Nations, he sum-
marized the plan as:—

1. Military settlement, pro-
viding for enforceable world
control of atomic energy, inter-
nationalization of strategic
areas, disarmament in weapons
for man's destruction and de-
velopment of a world security
system.

2. Political settlement, pro-
viding for final liquidation of
fascism, settlement of civil
wars in Greece and China ac-
cording to the principles of the
United Nations Charter, fulfil-
ment of aspirations of unfree
peoples and growth of the
World Bill of Human Rights.

3. Economic settlement, pro-
viding for a ten-year program
of world economic reason-
struction underwritten by Unit-
ed States resources and ad-
ministered by United Nations
agencies for the sole purpose of
raising the standards of living
and serving the general well-
fare of the world.

"Within Our Power"
"All this is within our
power," Mr. Wallace said.
"The resources are available to
the United States and the ad-
ministrative machinery is avail-
able to United Nations."

"The will is lacking. We can

Noted Nazi Escapes

Vienna, May 20.
Otto Hartmann, prominent
Goebbels-sponsored Nazi ac-
tor, escaped from the city
penitentiary on May 17 the
third noted Nazi to break out
of gaol in the past three weeks.

Hartmann is said to have
caused the death of 12 pro-
minent anti-Fascists by report-
ing them to the Gestapo during
the Nazi heyday. Government
sources say he has probably
joined his friends, SS General
Franz Richter and Franz Wizan-
sky, an Austrian Nazi, some-
where outside Vienna. Richter
and Wizanaky escaped from
prison in April.

An announcement says:—
"The Government fears these
escapes will form the nucleus
of another neo-Hitlerite group."
—United Press.

FINAL NOTICE

PRE-OCCUPATION (ARMY) CLAIMS COMMISSION SEAC - HONGKONG SECTION

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all
Companies/Individuals who have not already filed
their claim against the Army for unpaid accounts
contracted prior to 25th December 1941 are
requested to do so IMMEDIATELY.

2. All claimants will complete Army Form
F. 1922, and submit originals or certified true
copies of all documentary evidence in support of
their claims.

3. Claims to be forwarded to A.D. Claims &
Hirings, Room 205, 2nd Floor, Hong Kong &
Shanghai Bank Building, HONG KONG. (Tel.
No. 30009) and clearly marked "PRE-OCCUPA-
TION CLAIM."

4. Claims must reach the above office by the
31st MAY 1947.

Lt. Col. H. VENIS
A.D. Claims & Hirings
HONG KONG

Chinese Optical Co. OPTICIAN

67 QUEEN'S ROAD C

YOU'RE RIGHT GRACE,
THIS MAKES FALSE TEETH
REALLY CLEAN

A tumbler full of warm water. A capful
of STRADENT well stirred up. While
you sleep STRADENT gets to work. This
cleansing solution removes film and stains.
STRADENT cleanses your false teeth
by its bubbling action. In the
morning, rinse thoroughly. Stradent
makes a top.
Ask any chemist or druggist for it.

Stradent

OPENING
TO-DAY

QUEEN'S

AT 2.30 3.15
7.15 & 9.15 p.m.

...A guy as tough
as they come!
...Two guys as dangerous
as they come!
...It's dynamite
...ant to mizzio!

GEORGE RAFT
JOAN BENNETT
VIVIAN BLAINE
PEGGY ANN GARNER

NOB HILL
IN TECHNICOLOR

TO-DAY
ONLY

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AT 2.30, 5.10,
7.15 & 9.15 p.m.

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The Young Star Who
Became an Over-
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HEDY LAMARR • **ROBERT WALKER**
JUNE ALLYSON
in M-G-M's
**"HER HIGHNESS AND
THE BELLBOY"**

ORIENTAL

SHOWING TO-DAY AT 2.30, 5.20, 7.20 & 9.20 P.M.
HERE COMES THE SCREEN'S BIGGEST LAUGH!...
BRIGHTEST SONGS!... LOVELIEST GIRLS!

DANNY KAYE
**THE KID FROM
BROOKLYN**

with **VERA ELEN**
in **THE GOLDEN GIRLS**
with **THE GOLDEN GIRLS**
with **THE GOLDEN GIRLS**

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THE H.K. STAGE CLUB
Producing
YOUTH at the HELM
A FARCE in THREE ACTS
BY
PAUL VULPIUS
Directed by **DONALD RUDD**

TO-NIGHT AT 8.30 P.M.
BOOKING HOURS: 12 p.m.—2 p.m. and 5 p.m.—7.30 p.m.
TELEPHONE: 58935

Cathay

ADVENTURE GALORE
WITH THE 'FOREIGN LEGION' OF THE R.A.F.
"INTERNATIONAL SQUADRON"
starring **Ronald REAGAN** • **OLYMPIA BRADNA**

Showing To-Day
AT 2.30, 5.10,
7.15 & 9.15 p.m.

Cable Expert Seeking Agreement With China

SINGAPORE AWARDS

London, May 20. (Continued from page 5) The British forces during military operations in Malaya and during enemy air attacks on Singapore are among those honoured for their bravery by awards announced in tonight's "London Gazette".

Services rendered to British prisoners-of-war in Malaya during the Japanese occupation are also recognised. — Reuter.

Weather Man Up From Philippines

Dr. del Rosario, Director of the Philippine Weather Bureau, and Mr. Foster V. Jones, of the United States Weather Bureau, arrived in the Colony on Monday by air from Manila.

They are spending a few days at the Royal Observatory to discuss the development of weather services in Manila and Hong Kong with the Observatory staff. Their visit marks the revival of the close and friendly cooperation which existed between these two services before the war, and which is now more than ever necessary owing to the great increase in air traffic.

The Manila Observatory was destroyed during the war, and Dr. del Rosario is faced with a heavy task of reconstruction and re-organization. The interchange of meteorological information and the provision of weather reports and forecasts for shipping and aircraft were discussed.

Radio weather reports from ships at sea are of the utmost value to the forecaster, particularly when a typhoon is in this region, and agreement was reached on the sea-areas from which the two centres should receive ships' reports.

Similar typhoon warning systems are in use in the Philippine Islands and in Hong Kong, and it was agreed that no alteration is required in the present Local Storm Signal Code. Certain minor alterations in the Non-Local Code were suggested, but these must await the agreement of other users, and in any case will not be brought into force this year.

Incidentally, this code now has a very limited application in Hong Kong; it is used for the visual signals displayed on Blackhead Hill, but all other "non-local" warnings are distributed in plain language by radio.

It is hoped that both Hong Kong and Manila will be represented at the meetings of the International Meteorological Organisation to be held at Washington and Toronto in the autumn.

Major-General Leslie B. Nicholls, director of Cable and Wireless, Limited, is now in Hong Kong on his way to Shanghai and Nanking, where he hopes to be able to arrange with the Chinese Government for the early resumption of cable services between China and the outside world.

Hotel Manager To Answer

"The manager should be talked to seriously and summoned. See that he is brought before the Court," directed Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday when informed by Inspector D. L. Davies that the rooms allegedly used by two women as brothels were situated in an hotel.

Inspector Davies said that at 10.45 p.m. on May 20 he went with two Chinese detectives to the Chung Ah Hotel, 368 Nathan Road.

Accompanied by a Chinese detective he went to Room 412B on the third floor where they found 10 girls who admitted that they were prostitutes. Two Chinese males said that they were there for the purpose of getting a girl each.

The alleged mistress, Lam Yim-ming, was not in the room at that time but two or three of the girls volunteered to look for her. One girl was sent out and she came back shortly with her.

In the meantime, the other Chinese detective had gone to Room 302 on the second floor where nine girls and two Chinese males were found. The girls in this room also admitted being prostitutes and the men prospective customers. The alleged mistress, Chan Foon, was likewise brought back into the room by one of the girls.

In reply to His Worship, Inspector Davies said that about a month ago a similar raid was conducted at the hotel but no males were found in the room.

Neither the mistresses, Lam Yim-ming and Chan Foon, nor the two roomboys, La Hon-chung and Lung Chan, appeared in Court when the case was called. Their bail of \$250 each was ordered to be returned.

MARINE COURT FINES

The fine for lying inshore at night without a permit was raised to \$50 or three weeks by Mr. Neil Garland in the Marine Court yesterday.

Two motorboat coxswains were given this sentence after they had pleaded guilty. Both were apprehended by S.I. Brown of the Water Police.

Leung Chee, coxswain of a motor cargo boat, was fined \$150 or six weeks, for being under way without a certificated engineer on board. His plea that he was only shifting from Yaumati to Hong Kong and was unaware that the chief engineer was not on board was not accepted.

A fine of \$20 or one week was imposed on the coxswain of the motorboat "Sun Hing" for taking in tow a junk in addition to two lighters through the South entrance of the Yaumati Shelter.

COURT CLEMENCY

Because his wife is expecting a baby, Tang Man, 32, has been saved from prison. Tang was convicted by Mr. d'Almeida at Central yesterday for breaking into and stealing clothing valued at \$374 from 89, Des Voeux Road, West, second floor.

The Magistrate cautioned him and ordered that Tang and his wife be expelled together from the Colony.

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

Now, Oud, don't be silly! You know you have only one dress, skirt! And it took three weeks shopping for me to find that one!

Well, then, just a white one...

They're all at the laundry!

Oh, but I won't budge from my position! If I don't have an appropriate skirt, I'll dress for dinner anyway...

MADAM!

The doctor says your nerves have arrived!

The Watsons are clearing up. I forgot to tell you I'd planned a small dinner party, dear!

When we get company...

At present, China's communications with other countries are based on an up-to-date radio service, but over long distances radio, despite great advances of recent years, still suffers from certain inherent technical defects. A system of communication based on radio alone cannot be regarded as entirely reliable.

The hold-up which occurs when the atmosphere absorbs rather than reflects wireless rays; atmospheric disturbances generally recognised as "atmospheric"; sunspots; and a host of less well-known troubles may limit the useful period for transmission to four hours a day in extreme cases.

The submarine cable, on the other hand, is almost 100 per cent reliable. Once laid and in operation, it gives many years of trouble-free service, with the great advantage of being able to work at full pressure 24 hours a day.

Cable Link

The advantages of radio communication are well known, and no one would deny its usefulness, but it is felt that China, by supplementing its radio by connecting up to the Cable and Wireless network of cables which serve Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Egypt, South America, and the British Colonies, would achieve a degree of speed, reliability, and secrecy of communication which would be a real help in the rehabilitation of the country.

Technical research as an aid to increasing the usefulness of cable communication is being pressed forward. To mention only two of the larger schemes, it is hoped to be able to use ordinary cables to transmit speech, and to install multi-channel telegraphy, in the not too far distant future.

General Nicholls is no newcomer to the Far East, as he spent the years 1927 and 1928 in Shanghai and Hong Kong, making a number of trips into the interior. He is, therefore, in a good position to realise China's present difficulties and to offer his assistance in one of the most far-reaching of modern inventions—rapid communication.

KAREN TRIBUTE

London, May 20. A casket containing a Union Jack used by the Karen tribes Resistance Movement in Burma against the Japanese was presented to the King at Buckingham Palace today by the Lord Chamberlain, in whose keeping it has been during the Royal tour of South Africa.—Reuter.

CENTRAL
THEATRE
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FINAL SHOWING TO-DAY

Cassidy crabbles thru with another thrilling adventure

with **CLARENCE BULLOCK**

THE SHOWDOWN

COMMENCING FRIDAY
"PASSAGE TO MARSEILLE"
A WARNER BROS. PICTURE

Sensational

By EDGAR MARTIN

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THOUGHTFUL TO LAST

Shanghai, May 21. A Chinese contemplating suicide ordered his coffin from a local funeral undertaker before swallowing a fatal dose in his hotel room. When the coffin was delivered to the hotel, the man was found dead.—Reuter.

P.A.A. Flights To H.K.

Manila, May 20. Civil Aeronautics Authority inspectors came to start their homeward flight to the United States tomorrow morning after the conclusion of the Pan-American Airways proving flight here which brought a step closer formal approval of flights to Bangkok and Shanghai, scheduled early next month.

Selby Collins, P.A.A. Pacific Division Public Relations Officer, said flights from San Francisco to Bangkok passing direct to Shanghai via Guam were authorised to begin on June 3. Flights to Bangkok passing through Manila are expected to be approved early next month.

The Bangkok trip is destined to be linked with Calcutta and eventually with Karachi, where it will meet the P.A.A. Atlantic Division.

Pending installation of navigational aids by the ground authorities at Hong Kong and Singapore and an agreement with the Dutch on projected flights to Batavia, P.A.A. is delaying flights to these points.

The P.A.A. proving flight party, headed by Richard L. Barnes, assistant to the Vice-President, flew in the clipper Ocean Express on its maiden flight.—Associated Press.

LABOUR PROTEST

LONDON, MAY 21. THE LABOUR ORGANISATIONS IN FIVE CONSTITUENCIES HAVE CALLED UPON THE ANNUAL PARTY CONFERENCE TO CONDEMN AMERICAN AID TO GREECE AND TURKEY AS "A MENACE TO WORLD PEACE."

They urge investigation of the action as a possible violation of the U.N. Charter.

The resolution must filter through the Standing Orders Committee of the Conference before it reaches the floor and may never be discussed unless it gathers considerably more open support before next week's five-day meeting ends.—Associated Press.

HOTEL APPEAL

Hearing by the Full Court of the Appeal against the judgment of Mr. Justice E.H. Williams (Pulne Judge) in the case of The Great China Hotel Co., Ltd., against the Wo Hing Co., Ltd., was yesterday adjourned till 2.30 this afternoon.

LEE THEATRE

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ST. FRANCIS HOTEL, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL
Booking hours 11.00 A.M. to 5.00 P.M. daily

Last four shows to-day at 2.30, 5.15, 7.30 & 9.30 p.m.



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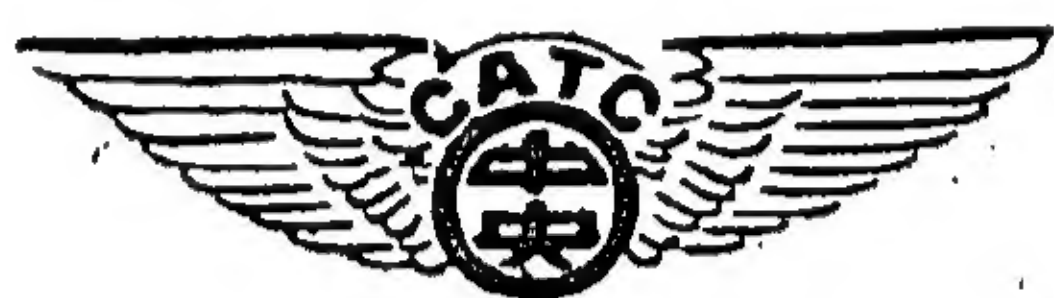
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THE GRACIE CASE

When James Kenneth Gracie was sent to prison for eight years yesterday, for a crime against his country at war, the sentence added nothing to our pride in the in-exorable workings of British justice. It was, in fact, a savage sentence, a sentence which cannot fail to shock the public conscience, stirring again the conviction that there is something ugly, wrong, contemptuous about the continued vindictive pursuit of some of those who erred when so many have been permitted to escape. Lust for vengeance vanished in the majority of us long ago. Partly that has been due perhaps to sentimentalism, the emergence of the spirit of forgiveness immediately the hour of crisis is over. Operative also however is the knowledge that so many of the worst collaborators with the enemy are free in our midst, thanks to that now famous amnesty which relieved the Hong Kong authorities of the responsibility and the embarrassment of taking action. In the light of these circumstances, the Gracie sentence calls for revision, if not by the Courts, then by the exercise of executive clemency. The most vital facts in the case, as so simply stated by the accused, were never challenged. On the contrary, prosecuting counsel adopted the unusual course of making a supporting statement in mitigation of penalty. "If it is wrong for a man to battle for a living to save his wife and child from the gutter," said Gracie, "then I have nothing more to say." "Because I had a Japanese wife and child, the British Residents' Association left them to sink or swim. I could not desert them." For his offence, broadcasting from a German radio station in Shanghai and assisting in anti-Allied propaganda, he had, prior to his production in Hong Kong, on the authority of a most interesting legal submission, spent ten months in a Chinese gaol in Shanghai. Gracie, in fact, and as very small fry indeed, had had punishment enough. To put him in Stanley Prison for eight years, for an offence arising in embitterment and deriving from one of the strongest instincts of man, the welfare of wife and children, offends all the humanities.

COST OF LIVING

The steady fall in the Labour Officer's cost of living index figures seems likely to involve in the near future a further cut in the official rehabilitation allowances which are linked with the index. Within two months, the drop has been approximately 23, which can be made to appear more impressive by converting to percentages, on which basis it is suggested that a reduction of approximately twenty per cent. has been registered in the cost of the worker's food and fuel. There is, of course, a fallacy somewhere. The price modifications recorded in the index do perhaps convey a broad picture of the market tendency, but it is extremely difficult to convince the workman with an empty pocket that somewhere along the line he has benefited from the changes. In fact when to-day's Legislative Council meeting has authorised a general increase in rents by thirty per cent., to become effective as from July 1 next, if we know our landlords, the workman will derive small consolation from official statistics asserting that his food is costing him less. It is not, of course, to be denied that the Labour Officer has recognised the difficulty. On each occasion when strict conformity to the original formula by which rehabilitation allowances are varied would have involved a sharp and sudden reduction in H.C.L. awards, a means has been found—usually another adjustment of the formula—of avoiding the posing of such a dangerous issue, dangerous that is to harmonious employer-labour relations. For the immediate requirement of expediency, this means the case. Obviously, however, it is most unsatisfactory and obviously, too, it is a procedure that cannot be repeated indefinitely without reducing the whole thing to a farce.

Liberal Party: Prospects At The Next Election

By FRANK FISHER

..... that each voter can vote only for one man, the single non-transferable vote. Thus 10,000,000 Liberals or Conservatives or Labourites could vote for their candidates in an election in this country and, conceivably, not elect a single member to Parliament. So let us analyse the results of the last election. It showed that, as a result of the war and, probably, of the pre-war years, there had been a huge swing to the Left. Last time the Labour Party benefited from this swing. Who will benefit next time? The Liberals think they will. And for this reason. In 1945 32,836,419 people voted. Of these 11,992,292 voted Labour, 8,666,666 Conservative and only 2,239,668 Liberal. There was also a Liberal national vote of 769,883, but break that down into its component parts and it would probably turn out to be as much Conservative than Liberal.

12 Years Ago

Where, then, in the face of these figures does the Liberal optimism come from. Firstly, it comes from something that happened 12 years ago, the 1935 election. Then the Liberal vote was only 1,375,166 (and a Liberal national vote of 856,095 to which the remarks made above on this point also apply). Thus in the face of 12 years of very very small representation in Parliament, of bigger but still small representation in the press of the country, and in the face of the old British two-party tradition, which is still enormously strong, the Liberals increased their vote by 900,000. But that is only half the picture. The Liberals polled their 2,239,668 votes in only 306 constituencies, less than half of the 640 represented in the present House of Commons. They, or some of them, argue that if they double the number of constituencies they fight they can really double their vote. Then, they say, add to this 6,000,000 the votes of all the discontented Labour voters, the Radicals rather than the confirmed So-

The Revival

Let there be no mistake about it, the Liberal revival. There are now more than 500 active Liberal organisations in the constituency, or an increase of more than 200 in the last year. In fact, the number of local associations representing at Bournemouth was a record by more than 100. Not only that, but many young men at the universities and elsewhere, men with no preconceived notions imposed by their positions in the world, are turning toward Liberalism. It was this that helped the Liberals at Bournemouth proudly declare their independence. "It takes two to make an alliance," proclaimed Mr. Isaac Foot, replying to Mr. Winston Churchill's Primrose League speech in which he dilled with the idea of a working agreement between the two parties. That was the most important thing about the meeting because, in the belief of many impartial observers in this country, if the Liberals and Conservatives did reach a working agreement in the next election they could throw the Labour Government out neck and crop thanks to the British electoral system.

Single Vote

For when dealing with British politics one fact above all others has to be remembered

100 Years Ago Today

(From the "China Mail," May 22, 1947.)
Notice—The undersigned being about to leave China hereby intimates that he is desirous of disposing of the whole of his Household Furniture and Effects situated on the Praya Grande, Macao. Also 7 Horses, 2 Cigars, a handsome four-wheeled Carriage. Apply in Hong Kong to Mr. E. Farncomb, Solicitor.

At a Meeting of Members of the Hong Kong Club held on Tuesday on the 4th instant, the following resolution was proposed by A. Carter, Esq., Seconded by T. W. Maclean, Esq., and carried unanimously:—
"That this General Meeting be adjourned until the 15th instant and a Committee be now formed consisting of—Major Burn, Captain McQuinn, Wilkinson, Dent, Esq., C. J. Brine, Esq., J. Jardine, Esq., D. Fletcher, Esq., A. Carter, Esq.,
"With power to add to their numbers, to revise and if necessary, remodel the Standing Rules of the Club, with a view to accommodate them generally, to the altered circumstances of the Colony and Garrison, and to propose measures for the formation of a Library in connection with the Club; and that this proposition be printed in each of the Colonies."

Showing The Stars And Stripes

London, May 20.

The 20 visits to Ankara and Teheran of Admiral Richard Connolly, the Commander of the United States Fleet in the Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean, were in quarters here today as "showing the flag."

Admiral Connolly's tour was officially described as a visit of inspection of the units of the United States Navy now on a goodwill mission to Eastern Mediterranean ports.

When a senior naval officer visits a foreign country it is not unusual; it was considered ordinary in Whitehall, for him to call on the Prime Minister and the Minister of Defence as Admiral Connolly has done in Teheran and will do in Ankara.

Admiral Connolly's tour of the Near East is at a period when United States loans to Greece and Turkey have just passed Congress and is recognised by political observers here to have a considerable potential importance for working out local defence plans.

The main question which Admiral Connolly's visit to Teheran raises is whether it foreshadows an American loan to Persia on terms similar to those voted for Greece and Turkey. In that case Washington would take closer interest in the defence of Persia and the Persian Gulf—Ruter.

London, May 20.

The Duchess of Kent, who is to pay a visit to Greece for the first time since before the war, will leave Britain for Athens on Tuesday of next week in one of the planes of the King's flight.

The Duchess, who is to be away for only a few weeks, will see her mother, Princess Nicholas. They last met when the Princess visited England two years ago—Ruter.

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"And if you don't care to cook for any of these, Mrs. Q'Dowd, we'll have another lineup tomorrow!"

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

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TOUGH GUESSING GAME

One of the toughest guessing games possible at the bridge table entails the participation of both pairs after one player has made a pre-emptive bid. It is especially lively if the high bidder's partner has some of his suit and extreme shortage elsewhere; with the opponents having a goodly sprinkling of high cards with a fitting suit of their own. Frequently in such cases, the pair with less high card power can score more tricks at its fitting suit than the stronger fellows can at their trump, due to ruffing values.

S 8 6
H K Q 6 4
D A 10 5 4
C 10 9 8

S K 7 6 4 N 9 2
H 9 7 5 3 W E H 8
D K S D 9 8 6 3 2
C A Q 4 C 2

S None
H A J 10 2
D Q J 7
C K J 7 6 5 3

(Dealer: North. Both sides vulnerable.)

1. Pass East 1 C 1 S
2 H 4 S 5 H 8 Dbl
Pass 5 S Dbl
2. Pass 4 S Dbl
3. Pass 4 S 4 NT
5 H Pass Pass Dbl

There were plenty of other denouements where East opened with 4-Spades, as he did at most tables of a big duplicate. It seemed to be a preferred bid because the long diamonds of

ferred a number of tricks in addition to those in spades. East passed at only two tables, following which South opened with 1-Club and approximately the same bidding ensued at both.

The result at Table 2 was due to a misunderstanding. North thought his partner's double was for business, so the business pass by North presented East with some unearned extra points when he got a 4-trick. The South who bid 4-trick, meaning it as a force for a takeout in some other suit, got his side a good score, as it was set only one by a lead of the club 2 to the J and Q, the club A and ruff of a club.

Practically everybody who reached 6-Spades made it by plentiful ruffing, losing only one trick in each red suit.

Tomorrow's Problem

S 7 4 3
H 5 4 2
D A K Q 5 4
C A Q

S 8 5
H 9 7 6 3
D 10 3 2
C K J 8 6

(Dealer: South. East-West vulnerable.)

After North's 1-Diamond, South's 1-Spade and North's 2-Diamonds, what is the winning action?

"Idiots"

Rome, May 20.
Communist leader Palmiro Togliatti today called American anti-Communists "idiots," and declared that former United States Under-Secretary of State Sumner Welles had strengthened Italian Communism in his recent radio warning that Togliatti's party with "funds from Moscow" was about to gain control in Italy.

Signor Togliatti's statement followed his yesterday's tele-

graphic demand to Mr. Welles to furnish proof of his accusations or admit he was a "liar and agitator."

In a two-column front page investigative article both Mr. Welles and American policies in general in the Communist daily "Unita," the Communist leader, (in a signed article) said although they did not know each other he could recall Mr. Welles' European trip of 1940. "To study the Fascist tyrants when he (Welles) spoke first of all of his mode of dress, of his ties, his shoes and the cut of his trousers."—United Press.

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British Complaint About Collections

Refugee Jews Now Parachuted?

Jerusalem, May 21. Jews, Britons and Arabs have challenged the assertion made in New York by Rabbi Baruch Korff that the Political Action Committee for Palestine has dropped refugee Jews into the Holy Land by parachute.

"It is a question how they can drop people by parachute without airplanes," one high military authority said yesterday. "All they ask us to believe is that a plane can take off in Europe, fly over a dozen frontiers, drop the parachutists and fly away without being shot down."

A Jewish Agency spokesman criticized what he called the use of such stories to stir up the collection of funds. An Arab spokesman commented similarly.

Police sources call the assertion about the parachute immigration "fantastic and impossible." As quoted Press.

Jerusalem, May 20. Jewish terrorist forces here have received funds from the American League for Palestine. The money-raising activities of the League have caused British complaints to the United States Government. The Jewish terrorist organizations are not noticeably enthusiastic about the amounts given.

Irgun Zvai Leumi is being continually taunted by Haganah, the militia of the official Zionist movement, with the fact that Irgun's supporters in the United States sent only one illegal refugee vessel to Palestine whereas Haganah supporters brought in 30 since the end of the war.

The Stern Gang ("Fighters for Freedom of Israel"), a smaller fighting organization, is reported to be receiving very slight support from the American League for Palestine and its supporters in the United States.

Occasional League contributions are being received, said a spokesman of the Stern group, but they do not exceed the support given to the organization by other groups in the United States or elsewhere.

A recent statement from Irgun said that the Berenson organization "support its struggle," but there is no formal connection between them and the Irgun organization, however. Nor is there any link, the statement added.

Pigeon-Holed
A memorandum from the Stern Gang to the United Nations asking for action to make

Britain comply with the General Assembly's appeal for an interim peace in Palestine has been pigeon-holed when it was received yesterday by the Polish Consulate General.

The Consul-General said today that he did not consider it important and intended to do nothing about it as it bore no guarantee of authenticity.

The memorandum achieved its purpose, however, by publicizing the terms on which the underground forces themselves would obey the peace appeal.

There has never been any thought here that the British administration would treat with the terrorists or accept the conditions of peace laid down by the Stern Group and the Irgun.

Acceptance of the terms would be tantamount to a reversal of the British policy towards illegal Jewish immigration and terrorism.—Reuter.

Donations

Washington, May 20. No action has so far been taken on the forceful new British protest over advertisements in the American press soliciting charitable funds for the Jewish underground, the United States Secretary of State, General Marshall, said today.

Asked by a British correspondent whether he considered the giving of money to finance killing of British soldiers and blowing up of bridges was a charitable donation, General Marshall replied:—

"I would say that such donations were not charitable."

The American League for Free Palestine, whose Chairman, Ben Hecht, wrote the advertisement to which the latest British note took specific objection, is listed at the Bureau of Internal Revenue among the charitable, scientific and cultural organizations to which funds can be contributed tax free.—Reuter.

Sofia, May 20.

General Ivan Popov, retired, leader of the so-called "neutral officers' conspiracy," was sentenced today to 15 years' imprisonment and deprived of political rights for 20 years.—United Press.

Shanghai, May 21.

One person was killed and 14 were injured on Tuesday evening when heavy winds in a thunderstorm blew down three houses.—United Press.

1,000-TON METEOR

London, May 20. According to Radio Moscow today, the meteor which struck Eastern Siberia on February 12, jarring seismic apparatus as far away as the East Coast of the United States, weighed "not less than 1,000 tons."

The broadcast said, an expedition from the Soviet Academy of Science had collected more than a ton of splinters from less than one square mile in the area where the meteor struck. Scientists said the meteorite hit the earth at a small angle and gouged at least 800 large and small craters.—United Press.

Cruiser's Unruly Visitors

Bombay, May 20. United States Marines and Bombay police today dispersed an unruly crowd which attempted to force its way aboard the United States cruiser "Toledo," which is at the moment visiting Bombay en route to Tokyo.

A huge crowd responded to a published invitation to the public to visit the cruiser and arrived by the thousands at Alexandra dock, where the vessel is anchored.

Because there was only one small gangplank and the crowd was apparently in an unruly spirit, Captain Detzer, commander of the "Toledo," notified the United States Consul General, who in turn notified the police. The ship was then ordered to be closed to visitors, which precipitated a storm of jeers and catcalls and screams of "Yankees, get out!"

Some already on the gangplank tried to keep moving, but a Marine detachment on the ship, using rifles as a blockade, pushed the crowd off while the police dispersed it from the docks.—United Press.

Sino-American Talks

Washington, May 19. A State Department spokesman today said that the inauguration of Sino-American discussions to settle long-standing and other outstanding accounts between the two governments, which both had agreed should start as soon as possible, had been delayed several weeks.

The delay is partly because Chinese officials who will negotiate have not reached the United States, but mainly due to the fact that the United States is carrying on similar negotiations with the Russians and Yugoslavs and lacks sufficient key personnel to deal with the Chinese until the other discussions have ended.—United Press.

Town Planning Bill Passed

London, May 20. The Government's plans for the reconstruction of old towns, providing open spaces for overcrowded areas and allocating land for new houses and factories, were given a final approval by the House of Commons tonight by 297 votes to 126.

"The bill marks the stage where planning leaves the negative principle and goes over to the positive," Mr. Fred Marshall, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Town and Country Planning, said tonight as he wound up the third hearing debate.

The bill, which still has to go to the House of Lords, will revolutionize the existing system of land tenure, according to the Government, and deprives landowners of the right to build on their land unless the building is in accordance with planning requirements.

The owner will no longer be able to make a profit when the value of his land has increased through building development. The bill gives the Government the power to take over land needed for its plans and to pay compensation, according to the development value of the property.

Concession
The chief concession made by the Government to the Conservative Opposition before the guillotine fell on the Committee stage of the bill recently was the decision to abandon the 1939 standard of property valuation, and pay compensation to landowners and owners of bomb-damaged sites according to the present market values.

The Town and Country Planning Bill is the last of the two nationalization schemes which the Government has decided to rush through the House of Commons before the Whitman recess next week, applying the guillotine procedure to impose a time limit on the debate.

The other bill, the Transport Nationalization measure, was debated in the House of Lords today.—Reuter.

HOW TOTAL ECLIPSE WAS OBSERVED

Rio de Janeiro, May 20.

The total eclipse of the sun was observed under perfect conditions by United States and Brazilian scientists at Bocaluva and for at least two of the vital four minutes by the Russians, Swedes, Finns and others at Araxa today. Observations were "perfect," according to the chief of the United States expedition, and the entire mission there was described as 99 per cent successful.

The Russian expedition at Araxa would not comment on their observations, but the Canadian scientist, James Hargreaves, who promised to do some of the work planned by the ill-fated British expedition—they were killed in an air crash at Dakar while on their way out—reported that he had obtained one photograph of the sun's corona.

Observations designed to check part of Einstein's theory of relativity was one of the principal objectives of the American party, and these were 95 per cent successful, it was stated.

For this study a specially-built telescope, with a 20-foot focal length, photographed the stars behind the sun. The instrument will be left there for some months until the stars are in the same position but without the sun, when they will again be photographed.

If Einstein is right that light rays are bent when passing close to matter, the stars will appear to have shifted, and the Americans will measure this shift, giving a check on the theory.

Only two of the scores of scientists at the American camp actually watched the eclipse. The rest overcast against the cold as the sun "died," pored over instruments, making mechanical observations in total darkness.

As the shadow of the moon crept across the face of the sun a faint dusk fell upon the earth. Birds slept in the trees, the stars came out, and in cities in the broad belt of the eclipse, street lamps were turned on. For four minutes there was darkness over the earth broken only by light from the stars and from the giant flames leaping into space from the sun's corona.

Nations in areas where the scientists were taking observations—one of the most desolate spots on earth—resolutely refused up to the very last moment to believe what the scientists told them about the eclipse, clinging to their assertion that the American engagement was connected with atom bomb tests.

"Atom Bomb"

The owner of one of the largest farms in the area wrote a letter to the American camp commander saying:—

"I know that you are going to test atom bombs and want you to know that you are free to use my land. However, I have a neighbor who is no good and would appreciate it if you would drop the first bomb on his land."

As the sun reappeared it was like a second dawn, with cocks crowing and birds singing.

It will be several days before the vital films exposed by the scientists are developed.

A radio report from a "Super-Portrait" which circled the area at 30,000 feet said that a complete photographic record had been made of the eclipse and clear pictures taken of the moon's shadow racing across the earth.

The Soviet Russian scientists at Araxa, who at first declined to comment on their observations, said later that they were satisfied and that the clouds cleared "at the critical moment."

Bocaluva, where the United States expedition pitched its camp, is situated on the central Brazilian plateau, 450 miles from Rio de Janeiro.

It will be several years before the scientists assess fully the results of their work.

No Britons

No British observers were present because the four British scientists who were to have taken part were killed on their way to South America at Dakar, French West Africa, on April 13.

Some twenty nations spent \$200,000 in setting up equipment, worth more than thousands of dollars in the savage wilderness of central Brazil—judged the likeliest place for good observation weather on the 104-mile path of celestial shadow moving from Santiago, Chile, northeast across South America to Salvador, Brazil, and away over the South Atlantic to West Africa.

A Finnish scientific expedition at Kpong, sixty miles from Accra on the African Gold Coast, reported that the eclipse was well observed there. In Accra itself rain clouds obscured the phenomenon.

Clouds prevented direct observation of the eclipse in the central zone of Chile, but scientists flew above the cloud level to make recordings.

House and street lamps were lit in Rio de Janeiro and Santiago during the totality period.—Reuter.

Smallpox Scare In England

Bilston, Staffs., May 02.

A 27-year-old woman died of smallpox in an isolation hospital today and two new patients were admitted as police hunted for other persons believed to be carriers of the dread disease.

Suspected carriers disappeared from a boarding house in Barnsley, Yorkshire, after they had been quarantined.

Two hundred children and 60 mothers were quarantined in St. Helen's Hospital at Barnsley. One of the mothers gave birth to a baby yesterday.

The Ministry of Health in London said that no epidemic existed and deaths had not exceeded three throughout the country in the last month.—United Press.

Admiralty Is "Class Conscious"

London, May 20.

Mr. L.C. White, General Secretary of the Civil Service Clerks Association, charged today that the Admiralty exerted "class distinction" over the Communist Party members it employed.

He told an Association conference that the Admiralty had fired lesser Communist employees, but had refused to explain why it continued to employ Professor J.B.S. Haldane, "whose services are regularly used for the most secret work."

Haldane, a noted British scientist, is chairman of the "Daily Worker" editorial board and a member of the Moscow Academy of Sciences.—United Press.

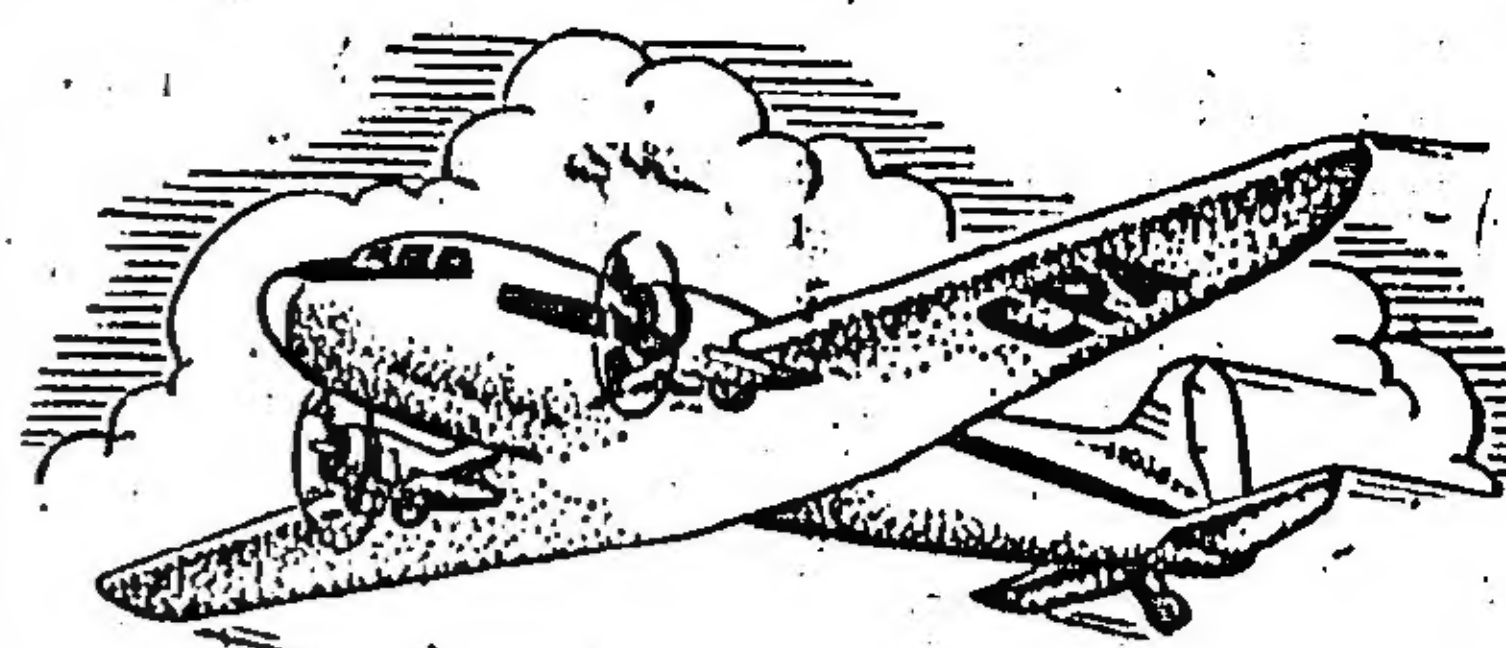
Political Prisoners Paroled

Belfast, May 20.

Another group of political prisoners (12 young men sentenced for being members of the Irish Republican Army and carrying firearms) will be released on parole this month, the Ulster Government announced today.

The Minister of Home Affairs, Mr. Edward Warriner, told Parliament that the results of the release of 14 political prisoners last Christmas had led him to review other cases.

If added, "We are not moving in the direction of a general amnesty. Those fully adult men who embarked on a campaign of violence and have been sent to prison have no claim on my compassion."—Reuter.



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Japanese Reparations Decision

Washington, May 21.
The Allied Nations said today that they may take Japanese reparations from the empire's current industrial production as well as from its capital assets.

In a policy decision by the Far Eastern Commission, the Pacific victors said "reparations shall be exacted through the transfer of Japanese capital equipment... or goods as many in the future be produced."

Arabs Killed In Haganah Attack

Jerusalem, May 21.
Two Arabs and a Jew were killed and six Arabs wounded when Arabs and Jews clashed near Petah Tikvah, six miles from Tel Aviv, last night, it was officially stated here today.

A statement, purporting to come from the Haganah, today said: "A fighting unit of the Haganah attacked an Arab gang near Petah Tikvah in retaliation for the murder of two Jews."

The unit killed two Arabs and beat one man himself," the statement said.

As they withdrew, the Haganah men planted four bombs in a cafe, alleged to be the Arab gang's headquarters. The bombs were detonated by sappers of the Royal Engineers early this morning, partially wrecking the cafe.—Reuter.

U.S. Officer To Be Tried

Tokyo, May 21.
A second Japanese Jew case involving an American officer came to light today when the Eighth Army in Kyoto announced that Major Frank A. Katchen, 43, of Stamford, Connecticut, will be arraigned later this month before a general court martial on a charge of wrongfully requesting and receiving from the Japanese Jewels and other goods valued at US\$10,000.

The announcement said Katchen is accused of "wrongfully and unlawfully" asking and receiving from Japanese nationals 50,000 yen, three diamond rings, one pearl necklace, two strings of pearls, one camera, one roll of silk, and one pearl brooch.—Associated Press.

Jerusalem Court-Martial

Jerusalem, May 20.
Four men of the Royal Corps of Signals pleaded not guilty today when they appeared before a court martial at the Allenby barracks here, charged with improperly abandoning their vehicles on March 21 when a terrorist bomb exploded.

The defending officer for Lance Corporal W. Angell, one of the men, intimated that the defense would attempt to show that the men's actions were justified under the circumstances.

The men, he said, had no orders how to act, but Angell understood that the Commanding Officer had said "avoid kidnapping at all costs."

The court adjourned until tomorrow.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI CONFAB

Manila, May 21.
Secretary of Finance Miguel Cuaderno will represent the Philippines on the Economic Commission for the Far East which will be held in Shanghai on June 10, the Cabinet decided at a meeting today.

The commission is meeting to determine the studies, investigations and nature of information necessary to help it to report to the United Nations Economic Organisation.—United Press.

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SHANGHAI RICE PRICE ZOOMS

Shanghai, May 21.
Fearing a renewal of rice riots, the municipal government today began unloading rice on the market as the price zoomed to an all-time high of CNY\$350,000 per picul.

Deputies said a shortage of imports contributed to the sensational increase.—Associated Press.

Left To Carry The Baby Says Accused

The allegation that his former co-defendant, Leung Ho, deliberately left him to face the consequences by applying for an adjournment and bail at the last hearing and then jumped bail was made by Yau Ping-kuen, 30, before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday.

Convicted on both charges of obtaining \$10 by false pretences from Li Kiu on April 22, and impersonating a Police officer, defendant was sentenced to nine months' hard labour on the first count and \$200 or four months on the second.

On the application of DSI J. Sykes, Leung Ho's bail of \$500 was forfeited and a warrant for his arrest was issued by His Worship.

DSI Sykes told the Court that at about 2 p.m. on April 22, Li Kiu, an elderly married woman, was in her "tang" on the ground floor of 177 Fung Yuen Street when accused and Leung entered. "They said that they were Police constables from Mong Kok Station sent there as the result of a complaint against her."

They allegedly added that they did not get much pay in the Police force, in fact so little that they could not even afford to go to "drink tea." No further words were addressed to the complainant, said DSI Sykes, although the two sat there talking to each other for about one and a half hours.

This conversation about their financial situation led the woman to believe that they wanted money, said DSI Sykes, and so she went and borrowed \$10 from the principal tenant and handed it to them.

The next time complainant saw the two men, said DSI Sykes, was at 2.30 p.m. on May 7 when they again called at her place.

On being notified by the principal tenant that the two men were there, her husband went to the Mong Kok Police Station. Returning at 2.55 p.m. with two Chinese detectives he saw his wife trailing two men whom she pointed out to the detectives.

You claimed that on April 20 Leung Ho called on him to borrow some money as his son was sick.

Leung, asserted witness, promised to repay the loan within two or three days as he was then expecting to receive his bonus from the Commissioner of Police.

When he called on Leung on April 23, declared witness, he was told that the bonus had not yet been received but that if he wanted his money back urgently Leung would get it for him from a woman who had defrauded Mrs. Leung of \$15.

Clarifying the alleged fraud, witness stated that complainant made herself out to be a faith-healer and that Leung took his son there to be cured by her. Leung paid over the \$15 but got no results.

At complainant's address, on the first visit, Leung allegedly told her that unless she repaid the \$15 he would report the matter to the Police. She paid over \$10 after Leung had said that he was a Police officer, said Yau.

Replying to DSI Sykes, accused admitted that it was wrong for a constable to ask for the return of money under threat of reprisal.

In answer to His Worship as to why he did not put the blame on Leung Ho at the last hearing when his co-defendant was present to answer for himself, accused declared that he wanted to go but was bluffed by Leung's application for an adjournment and bail.

On His Worship deciding to convict accused on both charges, DSI Sykes asked for a serious view of the case to be taken as the accused represented themselves to be policemen "which is a serious thing and does reflect considerably on the legitimate members of the Force."

American Baseball

New York, May 21.
Boston climbed to within one game of the leading Detroit Tigers in the American League as the Red Sox beat Detroit 4 to 3. Boston scored seven runs in the second and third innings and added another in the fourth, when Leftfielder Ted Williams smashed his 10th homer of the season into the centre-field bleachers some 425 feet from home plate.

Indian first-sacker Ed Robison's eighth inning double drove in the winning run as Cleveland upset New York, 4 to 2. The Indians had a shutout until the seventh inning, when Yankee fielder Charley Keller blasted a homer.

In the National League, Cub pinch hitter Lonnie Frey cracked a single to centre with the bases loaded in the 11th inning to give Philadelphia a 3 to 2 victory over Philadelphia. The Cubs tied the score in the ninth inning on doubles by right fielder Bill Nicholson and shortstop Bob Stinson.

The win lifted the Cubs to a tie for first place.

Scores:—

American

Team	R	H	E
Detroit	4	10	3
Boston	3	10	0
Cleveland	4	9	0
New York	2	8	0
Winning pitcher Don Blalock	11	13	0
St. Louis	11	13	0
Philadelphia	1	4	2
Winning pitcher Muncie	7	15	1
Chicago	7	15	1
Washington	4	9	6
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Managers Stage A Walk-Out

Shanghai, May 21.
Managers of 37 factories of the State operated China Textile Industries Corporation resigned en masse today because of "interference by government agencies and low pay for employees."

The managers charged that interference by the Ministries of Economics and Audit prevented the corporation from operating on a commercial basis.—Associated Press.

GUAM CRASH

Tokyo, May 21.
Two United States Air Force pilots were killed on May 17 when their plane crashed on Guam, the U.S. 20th Air Force announced today.

The aircraft was last seen in a power dive and apparently failed to pull out in time.—Reuter.

RAYON SHORTAGE

Sydney, May 20.
More than 80 cotton rayon textile factories in Australia employing 8,000 people are threatened with closure because of the acute shortage of cotton rayon yarn.

The secretary of the Clothing Manufacturers Association, Mr. A. Upjohn, said that the British Board of Trade had refused to release yarn for export except to dollar countries.

Yarn is available in the United States and Holland, but at a price beyond the economic Australian industry.—Reuter.

Y.M.C.A. Too Good For Army

European Y.M.C.A. swimmers beat an Army team by 25 points to 16 before a packed house at the "Y" pool last night, placing first in four of the five events that counted toward the point total.

The relay race, between teams of six swimmers each doing a 25 yard length, was a thriller, the "Y" team managing to come in first by two-fifths of a second.

Prizes were given away by the Acting G.O.C., Brigadier F. H. C. Rogers. The gala was followed by a dance.

The results:

50 Yards Free Style: 1. G. Saunders (Y); 2. H. Ballerand (Y). Time: 25-3/5 sec.

60 Yards Breast Stroke: 1. Thompson (Y); 2. Cpl. Wiley (H.K. Special Wireless Centre). Time: 30-2/5 sec.

50 Yards Back Stroke: 1. Sgt. Dickson (Buffs); 2. Capt. Carne (Devons). Time: 38-3/5 sec.

100 Yards Free Style: 1. Ballerand (Y); 2. Lt. Tunnell (Buffs). Time: 55-3/5 sec.

Relay (6 by 25 yards): 1. Y.M.C.A. (Brown, Thompson, Parsons, Dedear, Ballerand and Saunders). Time: 76-3/5 sec.

Ladies Race: 1. Mrs. L. Newlands; 2. Miss E. Brown.

Long Plunge: Purcell (Y). Distance: 44 feet 8 inches.

Water Polo: Y.M.C.A. beat Army 8-2.

Changchun Encircled

Nanking, May 21.
The besieged Manchurian capital, Changchun, is now completely encircled by Communist troops, Nationalist despatches reported today.

Government troops, however, were credited with reentering Kungchuling, 36 miles southwest, where street fighting was reported.

In Changchun itself, Nationalist troops began digging trenches and setting up machine gun nests. They made other preparations for a possible fight inside the city.

These reports carried news of the Government recapture of Changli on the Peiping-Mukden railway, cut by the Reds on Tuesday to block reinforcements to Changchun.

But other press reports acknowledged that the Reds succeeded in cutting the Manchurian railway at several points between Kungchuling and Changchun.—Associated Press.

Butterfly Chase Ends

London, May 21.
Scotland Yard's international butterfly chase ended today in a London court where Colin William Wyatt confessed he stole the priceless Australian collection to keep "my mind off my matrimonial troubles."

The sympathetic court fined the 38-year-old Cambridge-educated gentleman \$100 after hearing how Wyatt's "perfect marriage" broke up upon his discharge from the Royal Australian Air Force.

Wyatt said after his wife walked out in Melbourne "I am afraid my state of mind was such that I did not care what happened. I took these butterfly files from the collection and placed them in this, which I carried in my pocket. This seems to be a perfect way to keep my mind off my matrimonial troubles."—United Press.

EPSON ATTIRE

London, May 20.
The Epson Grand Stand Association announces that with the introduction of women into the club stand at Epson, it is expected that dress for this year's Derby and the Oaks will be on formal lines.

The dress for women will be afternoon dress with hat; for men morning dress, lounge suit or service dress.

With the Derby switched over to Saturday, June 7, "Ladies' Day" will be on Thursday, June 6.—Reuter.

ITALY TURNS TO ORLANDO

Rome, May 21.
Francesco Nitti today announced that he had failed to form a new Italian Government despite his five-day effort.—Associated Press.

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Signor Victor Emmanuel Orlandi, 88-year-old former president of World War I, today agreed tentatively to try again to form a government of Italy.—United Press.

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UNUSUAL CRICKET RESULT: TIED SCORES

London, May 20.
The MCC beat South Africa by 158 runs at Lords today after promise by the tourists that they would make a closer fight. The MCC declared at the overnight score, which meant that the South Africans had all day in which to make 357 runs if they were to win.

Mitchell and Dyer engaged in the tourists' best first wicket stand since the tour, but were parted at 66 and by lunch-time two more wickets had fallen for an addition of only ten more runs.

This left the South Africans behind the clock, but when Melville joined Mitchell the pair began to pull the game round with a partnership of 64. Once Melville went, however, the end was in sight against the accurate spin bowling of Cook and Alec Bedser.

Mitchell continued to hold on and for a spin towards the close of the afternoon he began to attack the bowling to such good purpose that he scored 30 runs in about 20 minutes.

Mitchell, who finished with not out 103, could find nobody to stay with him however, and at the tea interval the South Africans with three wickets standing were still 101 runs short of the necessary total.

Those remaining wickets fell to Cook soon after tea for only two runs and he came out with the fine figures of six for 44.

The final scores were: MCC 230 and 253 for four declared; South Africans 127 and 198 (Mitchell not out 103, Mitchell 40, Bedser three for 46, Cook six 44).

Black And White At Harringay

London, May 20.
Coloured boxers are denied the right to hold British boxing titles—a bone of contention between legislators and the government of the ring.

But they will get a good boost from Jack Solomon on June 3. The London impresario is staging a black and white card at Harringay.

Five fights will be between coloured and white boxers.

American negro, Lloyd Marshall, challenger for Gus Lesnevich's world light heavyweight crown will be the top of the bill. He opposes Freddie Mills, the British champion.

Marshall's negro welterweight sparring partner, Berry Wright, will tangle with Arthur Dunham in an eight round semi-windup.

Then comes Britain's own Randolph Turpin, a coloured man who has a knockout record in his one year as a professional that would enhance the kyo column of any boxer.

He fights Mark Hart, the best middleweight in the South.—Associated Press.

Liberation Shield Bowls Match

The following have been selected to represent Kowloon Bowling Green Club against Kowloon Cricket Club in the second of three games for the Liberation Shield presented by Mr. Ezra Abraham.

This game takes place at Austin Road on Sunday, commencing at 3.30 p.m.

Players unable to take part are asked to notify Mr. McGowan, Kowloon Hospital, before 5 p.m. on Friday.

H.A. Lammer, J. Hempsay, C.H. Gough and J.C. Atken (skip).

K.P. Phillips, J.G. Robertson, J. McGowan and J. McKelvie (skip).

I. Newton, L.R. Whant, I.F. Shields and A.J. Hall (skip).

E. Greenwood, H. Nish, W.C. Simpson and S. Randle (skip).

K.C. Hamilton, F.H. Wilkinson, G.E.F. Thompson and L. Guy (skip).

K.P. Pope, V.C. Dixon, J.G. Meyer and J.W. Dickson (skip).

Reserves:—F. Chocman and S. Redden.

Tennis Programme

Today's H.K. Cricket Club tennis programme is as follows:—

Men's Doubles Handicap (Second Round)

Court No. 1:
R. S. Ellis & F. A. Weller v. Captain R. Baxter & Lt. Col. N. Reynolds

Mixed Doubles Handicap (Third Round)

Court No. 2:
M. Pugh & Mrs. Sinclair v. Winners of F. A. Weller & Mrs. C. R. Crawford v. Mr. & Mrs. E. R. Mackay

Men's Singles Handicap (Semi-Final)

Court No. 3:
W. J. D. Cooper v. Winner of K. M. Getz & H. J. Armstrong

Men's Doubles Championship (Semi-Final)

Stand Court:
F. Seaman & Y. Segalen v. M. L. F. Haynes & M. W. Turner

No future extensions will be granted to any players as the weather has now broken and the tournament must be completed at the earliest possible date.

Players unable to turn up for matches on any day on which they have been listed to play will be immediately scratched.

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ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles from 12.30 to 2.30 p.m., and 6.10 to 11.15 p.m., also on 0.52 megacycles on the 31 metre band from 12.30 to 1.15, 7.30 to 2.30 and 9.15 to 11.15 p.m.

12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.

12.35 p.m.—Radio Show and Hit Orchestra.

12.45 p.m.—Hawaiian Music and Song.

1.00 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.10 p.m.—Interlude.

1.15 p.m.—"Music in Music."

1.40 p.m.—Music from Records.

2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

2.30 p.m.—Studio Children's Hour.

2.40 p.m.—Old Time Dance.

2.50 p.m.—Dinah Shore.

7.30 p.m.—A Light Concert.

7.40 p.m.—B.B.C. Transcription Service.

7.50 p.m.—"ITMA" with Tommy Handley.

8.00 p.m.—London Relay World News.

8.10 p.m.—London Relay: Home News from Britain.

8.15 p.m.—B.B.C. Transcription Service: "The Winton Wood," "The Letters of Dorothy Dickson."

8.30 p.m.—Singer's Record Review: A Review of the latest Records received by ZBW. Presented by Eileen Todd.

9.00 p.m.—Dinah Shore (Phono) and Jessie Matthews (Vocal).

9.20 p.m.—Relay from the Star Theatre, Kowloon: "South of the Border," "A Song by Paul Valéry." Presented by the H.K. Stage Club.

10.00 p.m.—London Relay News.

10.10 p.m.—The Orchestra (Raymond).

10.20 p.m.—Paganini Concerto No. 1 in D Major, Violin Soloist: Maria Yudin with the Orchestra (Symphonie de Paris).

11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

FURTWAENGLER CONCERT

Frankfurt, May 20.
Dr. Wilhelm Furtwaengler, who was recently cleared by a German de-Nazification court, will conduct his first concert with the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra next Sunday in the German State Opera House in Berlin, the German news Agency in the United States Zone said today.—Reuter.

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